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## URGENT NOTICE.

An important meeting of the Board of Trustees of the Hong Kong and South China Masonic Benevolent Fund Corporation will be held at Zetland Hall on Saturday, July 6th at 2.30 p.m. Secretaries of all Lodges in the District are requested to attend.

## ST. STEPHEN'S COLLEGE, STANLEY

The Prize-giving at St. Stephen's College, Stanley, will take place to-morrow, Saturday, July 6th, at 4 p.m., when all Parents, Old Boys and Friends are warmly invited to attend. His Excellency the Acting Governor, the Honourable Mr. N. L. Smith, and Mrs. Smith, have kindly consented to be present.

## ALICE MEMORIAL & AFFILIATED HOSPITALS ANNUAL MEETING 1940.

The Annual Meeting of the above Hospitals will be held on Friday, July 5, 1940, at 5.15 p.m. at Dr. S. W. Ts'o's Office, Messrs. T. & H. Hodgson, Prince's Building, 1st floor. (Entrance in Tea House Street).

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2.15 Close Down.

6.00 An hour of Dance Music.

7.00 Closing Local Stock Quotations.

7.02 A Variety Programme.

7.30 London Relay—The News.

8.00 Local Time Signal, Weather Report and Announcements.

8.03 Constant Lambert—The Rio Grande—The Hallé Orchestra with The St. Michael's Singers, Piano Solo: Sir Hamilton Hart.

8.18 Compositions of Quiller.

8.45 Clara Serena (Vocal) and Vivian Ellis (Piano).

9.00 London Relay—The News.

9.30 London Relay—"World Affairs."

9.45 Excerpts from Gilbert and Sullivan's "The Pirates of Penzance" and "The Yeomen of the Guard."

10.15 Saxophone Solos by Marcel Mule—Sadko-Chanson Hindoue, Le Cygne, Variations Sur Mulborough, with Piano accompaniment.

10.25 Beethoven—Triple Concerto in C Major, Op. 56—Richard Ormstonoff (Violin), Stefan Auber (Cello) and Angeline Morales (Piano) with The Vienna Philharmonic Orchestra conducted by Felix Weingartner.

11.00 Close Down.

# PRETTY WEDDING

Mr. R. A. Edwards  
Marries Miss G. K. Saunders

A charming wedding was solemnized at St. John's Cathedral yesterday when Miss Gladys Kathleen Saunders became the bride of Mr. Ronald Alfred Edwards, the Very Reverend J. L. Wilson officiating.

The bride looked particularly attractive in a silver brocade gown cut on Princess lines, with the new "Finger-Tip" veil attached to a pearl head-dress, and carrying a bouquet of white gladioli.

Making a charming picture were the Misses Doris Broad and Wendy Anslow acting as bridesmaids, and dressed in mauve nylon frocks with orchids as head-dresses attached to short veils.

Little Florence Edgar looked exceedingly sweet as flower girl, wearing a pale pink nylon frock and carrying a bouquet of mauve gladioli. The bride's mother wore a gown of pearl grey nylon, with a pleated bodice and bishop sleeves.

The bride was given away by Lieut. T. Parkinson, of the Hongkong Volunteer Defence Corps, while the best man was Mr. John Redman. The bride's going-away dress was of turquoise blue crepe, with blue and white accessories to match.

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## PARTICULARS & CONDITIONS

of the Sale by Public Auction to be held on Monday, the 8th day of July, 1940, at 3 p.m., at the Offices of the Public Works Department, by Order of His Excellency the Governor of one Lot of Crown Land at Mong Kok Tsui, in the Colony of Hong Kong, for a term of 75 years, with the option of renewal at a Crown Rent to be fixed by the Surveyor of His Majesty the KING, for one further term of 75 years.

Intending bidders are advised that immediately after the disposal of the lot the Purchaser (if not the applicant) will be required to deposit with an authorized officer who will be present at the sale, the sum of two hundred dollars, (\$200) in cash. This sum will be refunded on payment of the Purchase price.

## PARTICULARS OF THE LOT.

No. of Sale	Registry No.	Locality	Boundary Measurements	Contents in sq. feet	Approx. Rent per year	Upset Price
1	New Kowloon Inland Lot No. 2601	Adjoining Kowloon Inland Lot No. 1120, Kowloon, and bounded on the west by Crown land and on the east by public land.	N. 1120 ft. E. 1120 ft. W. 1120 ft. S. 1120 ft.	as per sale plan.	about \$200	\$200

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Buyers: H.K. Lands \$25.50, Telecom \$14, Electric (Old) \$30, Watsons \$7.35, Sellers: Electric (Old) \$37, China Lights (Old) \$5.90/80, Cements \$13.10, Dairy Farms \$17, Watsons \$7.30/40, H.K. Govt. 4% Loan \$102

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# Sacked Head: Governors To Consider "Storm"

WELLINGBOROUGH, Northamptonshire.

THE governors of Wellingborough School will meet to consider the position which has arisen over their dismissal of the headmaster, Dr. A. V. Billen.

Since his sacking was announced five of the 18 governors and six assistant masters have resigned. "I have not been given a single reason for my dismissal," Dr. Billen declared.

The governors held four meetings and I was not invited to one of them.

A circular calling for withdrawal of the six months' notice served on Dr. Billen has been signed by 138 parents of boys at the school.

Eighty parents have told the governors they will take their boys away at the end of term if Dr. Billen goes.

Local people are demanding a full inquiry.

Mr. J. C. Gent, an old boy of the school and father of two boys described the governors' action as "the old school tradition gone mad."

He has led the agitation demanding that the governors state their reasons for Dr. Billen's dismissal.

Mr. J. C. Parker, acting chairman of the governors, admitted that no reasons for their action had been disclosed.

"Something may be made public after our meeting," he said.

Mr. A. J. Wright, a housemaster and an old boy of the school has been mentioned as Dr. Billen's successor.

# Crossword Puzzle

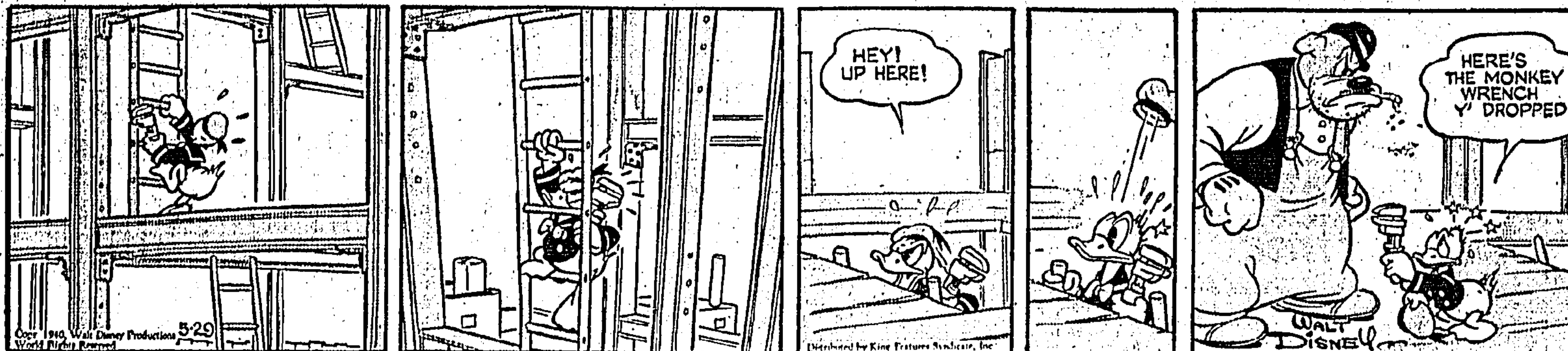
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## Manchukuo Trade

Now No Foreign Market For Produce

Isinking, July 4. When Italy entered the war, Manchukuo lost the last of its foreign trade outside the yen bloc. Manchukuo's foreign trade had been limited to Germany, which market was closed in September on the outbreak of war, and Italy, which has now been cut off by the British Navy. The extension of the European war to Denmark and Scandinavia resulted in the loss of the annual volume of 4,000 metric tons of soy beans worth \$500,000. Thus the war, despite non-involvement of Japan, finds Japan considerably affected.

Japan, sorely pressed by her China exploits, is hanging grimly on to her economic balance, with Manchukuo adding its little weight. The development of Manchukuo, a cardinal necessity in the attainment of Japan's economic designs, has become increasingly difficult. Previously lacking foreign exchange, Japan had bartered Manchukuo beans for German and Italian machines. Now both Manchukuo's much publicised trade treaties with the Axis Powers are nullified.

From September until her entry into the war, Italy had been Manchukuo's only foreign customer. As with the Manchukuo-Rich agreement, the trade in Manchukuo was based on a barter system, soy beans, perilla oil, peanuts and magnesium, being Manchukuo's chief assets, which she traded for machinery, vehicles and leather. She was able to get \$11.70 per picul for beans computed in United States currency, which was a much better rate than could be obtained in the United States.

Until 11 Duce declared war on the Allies, Italian ships were the only foreign vessels visiting Dairen outside a few chartered vessels, chiefly Norwegian and Danish in Japanese employ, due to the shortage of bottoms in Japan. Since Japan had no ships, Italian vessels did a good deal of carrying. There were heavy orders for July and August which will have to be cancelled.

On the other hand Manchukuo is awaiting 100,000 metres of Italian-made cloth for the official concordia uniforms which all good Manchukuoans are supposed to wear. All the Italian vessels had cleared port at the time Italy entered the conflict, so there was none to go alongside six stranded German liners. Caught at the outbreak of war was the Japanese-Manchukuo trade mission visiting Italy in return for the Italian goodwill visit. The mission was scheduled to sail from Genoa just two days after war was declared but is now returning by the Siberian route.—Reuter.

## MOVING TO PEACE

Spain And Sweden Said Go-Betweens

London, July 4. Official quarters continue to deplore reports of peace talks as rumours multiply, but it is known that the Germans are using unofficial Spaniards and Swedes to sound Britain regarding peace prospects. Goering's Swedish brother-in-law, Count Rosen, is mentioned in middleman. Lines emanating from Berlin are conveyed through unofficial channels in a manner which is always left open to repudiation.

Government officials are convinced that Hitler will soon unleash his lightning against Britain. They express doubt that the Fuehrer is inclined to call off the war with the British Empire and Navy intact. At the same time Mr. Winston Churchill is determined to continue the struggle.—United Press.

### Franco Mediating?

New York, July 3. Although the rumours of Anglo-German peace proposals have been categorically denied by Mr. Neville Chamberlain, Lord President of the Council, the New York Times reports from Stockholm that well-informed circles there state that General Franco of Spain is now mediating for peace between Great Britain and Germany. It is suggested that Spain is now sounding out the attitude of the two countries in London and Berlin respectively. Further reports that the current exchange of bitter broadcasts between the two countries regarding the German attack on the British Isles is merely a sort of smoke screen for the impending peace negotiations.—Dime.

## SCOURGE OF SONG PIRATES

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for the P.R.S. not to track down a "pirate" and extract the fee. Sometimes there have been lawsuits, one in particular secured a great victory for the music-makers. A High Court decision was obtained ruling that when a publican or a restaurant proprietor broadcast music by means of a loud-speaker to his patrons he was liable to a licence, the fee to be divided amongst the society's members. Broadcasting Complications

Broadcasting seemed to complicate matters at first, but eventually the P.R.S. came to an arrangement on behalf of its members, by which composers should receive a fee varying between three shillings and ninepence and five shillings every time a piece of his work was broadcast. Moreover, the fee was payable for every station transmitting and even if relayed. A vast amount of music is broadcast or dispensed by gramophone records; they also pay a fee.

Owing to the fact that American popular music is in such demand on this side, several thousands of pounds are sent to American composers and publishers every year; but by a reciprocal agreement British music receives the benefit of being played in America. The P.R.S. had to put up a fight to secure this right, but eventually succeeded in persuading the Federal Government to pass legislation preventing piracy.

Should you hear a dance band in Oskosh playing the "Lambeth Walk" you may be sure that Mr. Noel Gay will ultimately receive the appropriate fee. As can be imagined, this collection of great numbers of comparatively small sums entails a great amount of work in the Hanger Square offices, and demands intricate filing and book-keeping. In addition, copyright law is by no means the same in every country, and even some of the Dominions have different laws from those of Great Britain.

In twelve months something like a quarter of a million sterling is collected in licence and copyright fees by the P.R.S. It does not all go to British composers, because included are the sums collected on behalf of foreign composers. France, for instance, takes about £35,000 a year. There are constant evasions of the law, but in scores of cases they are unwitting. When a local dance band plays at a village "hop" it may forget if it ever knew, that fees are due to the composers and publishers of the tunes it plays. Officials of the P.R.S. are always on the watch for this sort of thing.

The past history of popular music contains many cases of men who have composed airs that took the world by storm receiving only a few pounds for their work. To-day the man who manages to please the world's ear can assess his income in thousands. Not every composer hits such a high spot as that, but whether a tremendously successful or just a modestly capable, the composer knows to-day that he is getting his just dues. G. A. Perrier

## German Casualties

British Estimate Stands At 400,000

London, July 4. It was estimated in authoritative sources in London to-day that German casualties between May 10 and the end of the war in France totalled 400,000.

A German official statement issued recently stated that 10,000 Germans were killed between May 10 and June 4 and 17,000 between June 5 and June 25. London comment is that the German figures are not worth very much.—Reuter.

### FIRST AID PASSES

The following candidates passed the St. John Ambulance Association and Brigade First Aid Examination held at the European Y.M.C.A., Kowloon, on Wednesday, June 28:

Mrs. Agnes Morphet, Mrs. Cicely Berridge, Miss Doreen Moir, Miss Edith Moses, Mrs. Ida Gerzo, Mrs. Margaret Lees, Mrs. Molly McAuloy, Mrs. Rosalie D. Holmes, Mrs. Angela Temple, Mrs. Diana Duncan, Mrs. Doris Blair, Mrs. Frances Large, Mrs. Lillian Edgar, Mrs. Minnie Boga, Mrs. Olga R. Bateman. Certificates should be obtainable in about two weeks' time.

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## BOYS AT CAMP DENY THEY ARE UNDERFED

'I've Never Eaten So Well Before'

THE "Daily Herald" sent reporters to "boarding school" camps at Reading and Cranleigh, Surrey, attended by children from Ilford, Essex, to investigate complaints that the children are not receiving sufficient food.

## HIGHER FARES Workers Want An Inquiry

THE men and women to whom the ten per cent. increase in railway fares really means something found their voice at a protest meeting in London recently.

Hundreds of them, paying anything from 1s. to 2s. 6d. a week more to get to work, demanded a deputation to the Government.

The London Workers' War Vigilance Committee organised the demonstration at Friends' House, Euston-road, N.W.

This is what some of them said:—Civil Service Clerk: I paid 3s. 3d. more for my season to-day. That's why I'm here. The Government won't pay us more because they say it would cause inflation. Yet they do this.

Typist: Threepence a day makes 1s. 6d. a week out of my 32s. I've got to think what I'll give up.

Workmen's Fares Labourer: I get to work an hour early so that I can use a workman's ticket and save 2d. Now that has gone up, too.

Housewife: It is going to cost my two girls between them about 3s. a week. So much less for my house-keeping, while prices are going up all round.

Mr. Herbert Morrison, M.P., charged the Minister of Transport, Capt. Euan Wallace, with muddling and deception. "I sometimes wonder whether he himself understands the agreement with the railways," he said.

Mean Treatment Mr. Robert Willis, secretary of the London Trades Council, said: "Captain Wallace stated in the House that he was open to representations from public bodies."

"I hope he will not treat our deputation in the same cavalier fashion as he did a deputation which went to him representing a large section of the travelling public."

Mr. John Wilmot, M.P., said: "The Government has given permission to the railways to pass on to the public the increased cost of running without taking into account the enormously increased revenues."

## City Ban On Communists

CARDIFF CITY COUNCIL has decided to ban Communist Party meetings in Llandaff Fields—where they have been held every summer for years. The voting was 23 to 12.

"It is wrong that a local authority should give facilities to these people to preach subversive propaganda when this country is fighting for its life," declared Councillor J. H. Morgan.

Labour members vigorously defended the right of free speech. Asked about the employment of conscientious objectors at Cardiff schools, Alderman Fred Evans said three teachers were concerned. Two had been recommended for non-combatant duties, and the third would be dealt with this month.

The allegations, which are denied by the authorities, had been made at a meeting of parents evacuated to the new camps.

Here are the reporters' stories: READING.—Five well-nourished, intelligent little boys from Beal Modern School, Ilford, crowded round me at their camp-school at Kennelands, Sonning Common, and stoutly denied that they were the victims of under-feeding.

"We have just written a letter," one of them, Roy Dean, aged 14, of Rosemead-gardens, Ilford, said, "telling that we are not starving. It is all wrong, for I have never eaten so well before."

Investigations I have made have convinced me that complaints that the boys do not get enough food are unfounded, says a correspondent. Here is part of a stock summary issued to 100 boys: Bread, 200lb.; sugar, 14 cwt.; cereals, 80 packets; flour, one cwt.; butter, 60lb.; jam, 140lb.; cake, 90lb.; milk, 192 gallons; beef, 120lb.; mutton, 100lb.; potatoes, 9 cwt.

### Four Helpings

Growing boys made hungry by keen Berkshire air are having two helpings, and in some cases even four.

The headmaster, Mr. W. H. Norman, is puzzled and annoyed by the complaint. "In the first few weeks I was told that one or two little boys had said they wanted more food as an excuse to get home," he told me. "That is probably how the trouble started."

"We have visits from parents—150 at a time—and they sometimes stay to dinner. There have been no complaints."

"I see there has also been a complaint that there has been a 'hush-hush' sickness epidemic. I do not know what that means. If a boy is taken ill and is removed to hospital I write to the parents telling them and I keep them informed of the boy's progress."

Lawrence Humphrey, aged 13, of Herent-drive, Ilford, said: "I believe one or two homesick boys have been writing silly letters home. We others are all very indignant, as we get plenty of food and are having the time of our lives."

CRANLEIGH.—Parents of some of the 175 boys from Loxford Central School, Ilford, at Elmbridge Camp School, near Cranleigh, who were prepared to fetch their children home, have decided to let them stay.

Complaints about the service and cooking had been made at a parents' meeting, and a deputation was sent with power to arrange to bring boys home.

### "Lots to Eat"

At the camp I saw healthy young bodies and happy faces. I asked the boys if they really were pleased to be there. "It's lovely!" said 12-year-old Douglas Coleman.

Kenneth Avery didn't wait to be asked whether he likes Elmbridge Camp or not. "Better than Ilford, any day, and lots to eat," he said.

Mr. A. E. Clarke, the Headmaster, cannot understand the accusations that the boys are not properly treated. "Parents write to say how pleased they are," he said. "We have batches of these letters and not a single letter of complaint. Never once have we had a complaint about shortage of food."

Mr. E. R. St. Leger, Chairman of the Parents' Association, said: "One of the complaints at our meeting last week was that children had been found by their parents polishing the dormitory floor, but this has all been cleared up. We are satisfied that our requirements will be met."

## LEFT JAIL 7 min. TO WED

HENRY JOHN MCCARTHY, a young Irishman, who was sentenced to four months' imprisonment at Guernsey recently, was allowed out of jail—to get married. But within seven minutes he was inside again, for the register office, where he was married, is in the same block of buildings.

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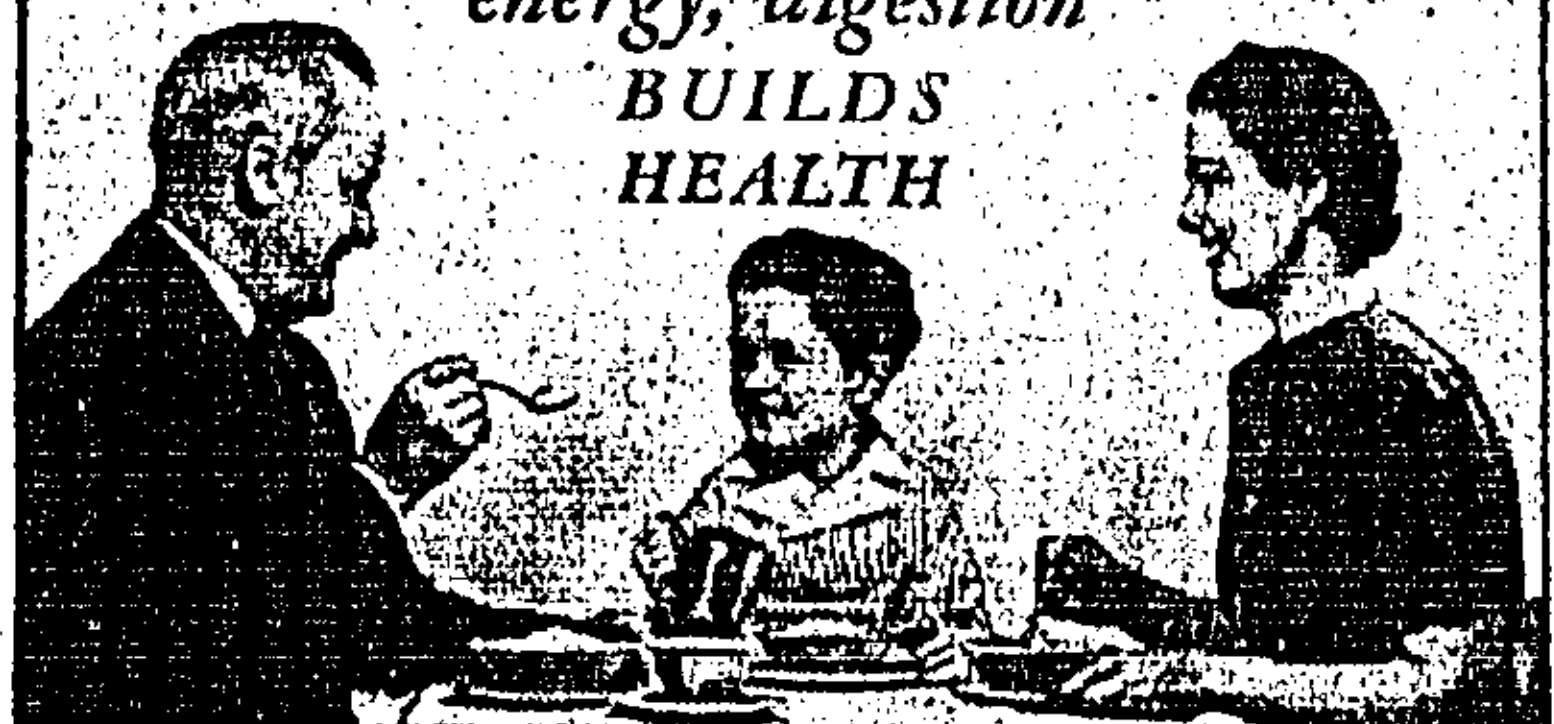
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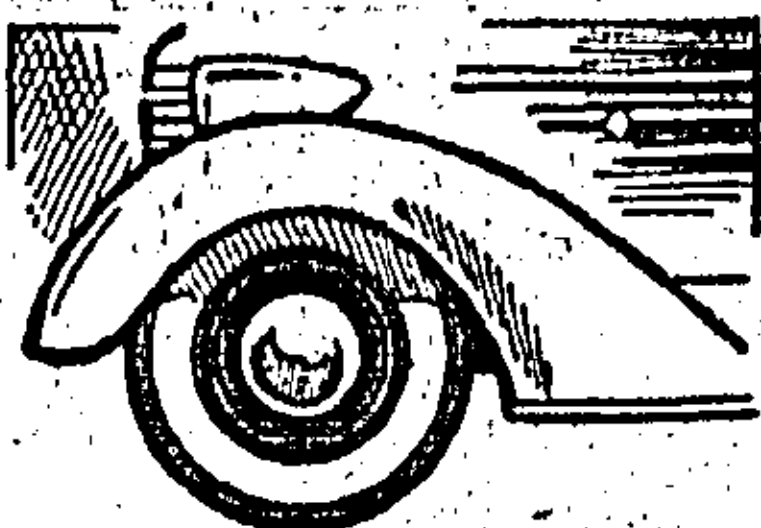
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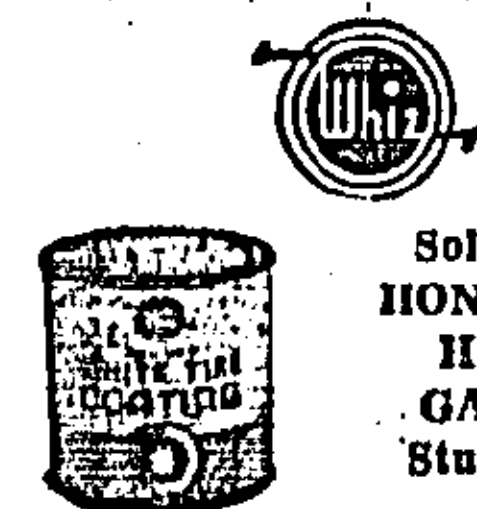
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**Arms And The Freeman**

Basically democracy is stronger than military power. Nevertheless the effect of military developments on the evolution of free government has at times been profound. Some students of history even infer that the ups and downs of democracy through the ages follow changes in the relations between the various groups of arms.

For example, when cavalry was a decisive factor in warfare, aristocracy assumed the saddle of government; because only the well-to-do could afford control of the equipment necessary to military power. But when infantry became the decisive factor, the placing of weapons in the hands of the masses brought with it the necessity of meeting in a degree the demands of these masses. Moreover when every man could by the possession of a small arm make a considerable defence of his home and liberty, politics had to take account of the fact.

Thus we are told, has evolution—and—sometimes—resulted in military equipment effecting deep changes in social organisation.

To-day the world once more is passing through a period wherein the big and expensive type of armament appears to be more and more decisive. Airplanes, tanks, motorised horses ever did. Tanks, battleships, submarines and even some of the smaller types of artillery—these are not designed to fit the small man's pocketbook. But neither, happily for democracy, do they fit the wealthy man's purse. They are indeed so expensive that only the co-operation of all the people—with the bulk of the means necessarily less well-to-do—can finance them.

In the present war, therefore, the revolution of mechanised warfare has most meaning for democracy simply in the striking power which at the outset it has provided for the declared enemies of democracy.

Military experts are assessing the changes in land and naval warfare that result from the use of tanks and airplanes on an unprecedented scale. These changes appear disadvantageous to naval power as traditionally exercised; this is one of the more striking conclusions of the experts. The Norwegian campaign indicated that air power has made naval operation near land risky and even ineffective, unless supported by an adequate air arm.

Thus naval strategy may have to be revised. It may become more like land strategy. As infantry is moved into a position prepared by artillery and the advance of mechanised forces, so airplanes must be brought up to make enable the positions that battleships take.

Land warfare has undergone similar modification. It has become more like naval warfare. Tanks are its battle ships, the experts say by way of illustrating this point. Tanks, equipped by airplanes, beat the path for man-power to pour over, in addition the development of the air arm has added a new sort of artillery to warfare. The airplane is like a mobile gun—the most mobile may have ever known—delivering its fire with an accuracy and concentration apparently more demoralizing than any artillery fire of the past.

This war has indeed uncovered a revolution in military method. Where such alterations have occurred in the past they have followed its fire with directly. To-day they may still exert indirect influences. But the effect that concerns democratic peoples at this moment is a most direct one. It lies in a frank and even boastful intention to destroy democracy's foundations with monsters which, however, democracy can harness to work for the protection of freedom.

## Will Nazis Stand the Test?

By "An Old Stager"

REMARKABLY enough, little or no importance seems to have been attached in any responsible quarter to one of the most significant revelations yet made as to the course of this war. I refer to the account, published by our own authorities, of what really happened at Montevideo after the naval action between the Graf Spee and our small cruisers.

We now know that, after hastily making urgent repairs to their slightly battered pocket-battleship, which was in perfectly adequate fighting trim, the officers ordered the crew to their stations with the intention of steaming out to renew the fight with our sorely hammered light cruisers. But the German sailors virtually, if not actually, mutinied. Only sixty of the older hands stepped forward, and the rest, out of nearly a thousand men less battle casualties, refused to obey orders.

We are told authoritatively that they were appealed to eight times, by their captain and other officers, but nothing would budge those youthful Nazi enthusiasts. To quote our incomparable King Hal of Agincourt fame, they had no stomach for this fight. Or, as our modern lower-deck Jack Tars would phrase it in good terse Anglo-Saxon, they had already had more than their bellyful of British naval gunnery.

**Swastika Swagger**

It was when this predicament was communicated to Hitler, by phone in Berlin from South America, that he sent the order to scuttle the Graf Spee outside Montevideo harbour.

This dramatic episode does more than cast a tragic light on the subsequent suicide of the German pocket-battleship's commander. It suggests most significantly that the younger generation of post-1914-1918 Germans, who are the most hectic disciples of Nazi doctrine, are not at all what they have been cracked up to be. It is one thing to swagger about in swastikas, giving theatrical Heil Hitler salutes, or bullying elderly non-Aryans. It is quite another kettle of fish, however, when these young hooligans come up against real fighting.

Our gunners had, in fact, obviously knocked all the Nazi swank out of the Graf Spee's younger lower-deck hands, and these pseudo-heroes, after being prematurely feasted by their Montevideo compatriots, found themselves severely cold-shouldered by their recent entertainers.

**Not As In 1914**

Without seeking to make even hillocks out of molehills, it may be reasonably suggested that the Graf Spee crew can be taken as a fair sample of post-last-war German fighting morale. Those best able to judge, including by all accounts the German Higher Command itself, have all along held that the German Army of to-day bears no sort of comparison in efficiency, or morale with the pickelhaube legions who took the field in August

1914. What happened at Montevideo, moreover, strikingly confirms impartial criticism of the bearing and looks of those German divisions who took part in the Czech and Polish operations.

There was nothing ersatz about the Germany of 1914. It was probably the best organised national machine in existence. Yet that mighty German Army, with all its immense superiority of artillery and ammunition supplies, was held eventually, within a few weeks, and actually partly repulsed at the Marne, by a France that then possessed no impregnable Maginot fortifications, and had only the assistance of a highly trained but numerically inconsiderable British expeditionary force.

These facts, for facts they are, are certainly worth pondering when we come to consider the existing military situation. How far is the German military machine of to-day, with its Gestapo-riden divisions and battalions and its ersatz morale of calculated theatricalism, likely to sustain itself against any heavy blows on the embattled field is a really intriguing question?

**Short of Officers**

The Graf Spee officers apparently were right enough. It was the crew who wilted under ordeal. But we know that, when this war began, the German Army was short of sixty thousand trained and experienced officers.

No wonder the German Higher Command has not looked with any favour on adventures, not merely against the Maginot fortress line, but elsewhere in flanking operations. It has always been the

writer's firm belief that in a thorough-going military sense the German Army of to-day is probably just as gimcrack an affair as the whole gospel of Mein Kampf gangsterism. It may be that time will show conclusively, and maybe rather sensationally, how far this opinion is a shrewd one.

The Goebbels theory that the German Army of the last war was never defeated in the field, and that it finally cracked under collapse of the home front after being stabbed in the back by non-Aryan traitors, is an audacious fabrication, worthy of its author, which will not stand the test of east-iron facts.

**The Day of Reckoning**

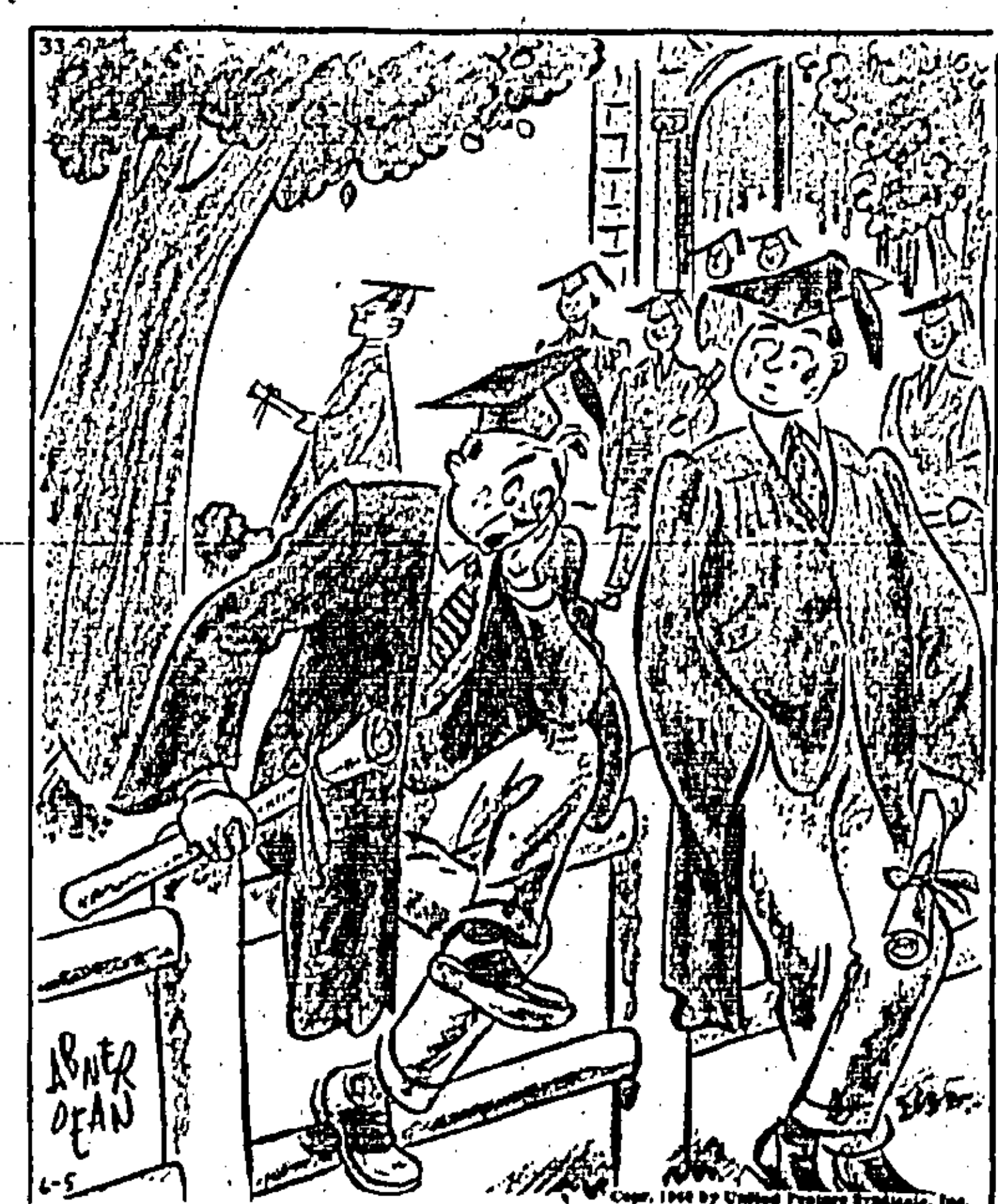
Long before the German home front had collapsed, the deterioration of its field-grey legions on the Western Front was palpable. The Hymn of Hate had given place to the Kamerad act. Within a few weeks of determined aggressive fighting the Franco-British Armies had captured half a million German prisoners, immense numbers of guns and equipment of all sorts, and driven the German legions back scores of miles.

Bluff, artifice, make-believe, and bluster may be invaluable in diplomatic encounters. Certainly Hitler and his entourage have exploited these to the uttermost. But when it comes to real fighting, against determined and intelligent well-armed forces, we get right back to the morale of the Graf Spee fiasco.

The acid test, as the Shavian Caesar well phrased it, is when every man must take his life into his hand, and fling it in the face of Death. Only seasoned and hardbitten soldiers can stand up to that test, not boosting gangsters or youthful sadists.

**FUNNY SIDE UP**

By Abner Dean



"Wish I could remember what I was going to be when I grow up!"

## Scourge of Song Pirates

THE scene is a moonlit hotel garden overlooking the sea. The place is not too fashionable Italian hotel in a second-rate Italian resort. In an illuminated arbour a local band is playing an English tune, while a crooner croons. By providing these entertainments free the enterprising hotel proprietor attracts large numbers of evening visitors to his wine gardens.

One morning the proprietor is startled and disgusted to receive a demand for fees from the Performing Right Society in respect for all English songs and music performed on his premises. How did the Performing Right Society in London know about those performances in an Italian hotel garden?

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Victimisation Stopped

The victimisation of composers and others concerned with music has been stopped in an almost miraculous way by the activities of the Performing Right Society. When a dance band plays a request in a hotel in Africa, in course of time a note of the fact will be made in the files of the society, whose offices are in Hanover Square, London. "Mind it is assumed that the composer, lyric writer, and publisher each gets his share of the fee which the dance band or, maybe, the hotel proprietor has paid for the right to play that particular number. Amicable international understanding safeguards the interest of all music-makers, whatever their nationality. The Society makes no charges for entrance fees in the way of

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## WORLD WITHOUT BRITAIN

By Albert Vilon

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The British Empire has affected since the beginning of the eighteenth century the lives of more human beings than any other political structure ever created. Its influence spread over territories more vast than that of any previous human organisation; for good or for evil, its tremendous power enabled it, during the past two or three centuries, to direct the course of world history with more authority than that exerted by any other State.

Until the last few years, certainly, Great Britain had the resources and influence to crush potential disturbers of world peace by diplomatic and economic weapons long before resort had to be had to arms. . . . The Pax Romana in ancient times, the explanation does not lie in lack of potential power.

Yet even if unable or unwilling to assure permanent world peace, the British Empire has been powerful enough to prevent dozens of wars during the past century and a half. There is hardly a European or Asiatic State which has not been prevented by British disapproval or threats from grasping the sword.

To realize Britain's position in the contemporary world, one need only consider what would happen if as a result of military defeat the British Empire ceased to exist tomorrow. A few minutes' reflection will show that the very foundations of Western civilisation would be shaken by such a cataclysm as profoundly as any event since the collapse of Rome. Not because the British Empire has been so invaluable a civilising force; rather, civilisation would tremble because all the aggressive powers—as well as many states at present without aggressive designs—would immediately rush to occupy the vacuum created by the disappearance of Britain. Armies, navies, and air forces would be set in motion from one end of the world to the other.

The solemn fact is that collapse of the British Empire would serve as a signal for all the hungry Powers of the world to launch new and greater wars of aggression. It is a grave mistake to think that nothing more tragic would happen than the replacement of Britain by say, Germany, as the dominant Power in the world; that instead of a British Empire there would be a German Empire. The situation is not nearly so simple. Aside from the all-important fact that a German Empire would mean a fundamental cultural change, the repercussions of which would affect every section of the world, the tragic reality is that a victorious Germany would be unable to establish even a temporary settlement. Germany would be allowed to extend over a century or more. Such a victory would release a terrible imperialist cycle over the world, and all the suffering which that would entail. Britain, however, in a satiated empire, having long since reached the limits of her possible expansion; and a British victory would be followed not by new imperialist expansion, but by the beginning of the disintegration of the Empire.

Britain's defeat would be the signal for a general scramble between Germany, Russia, and Italy for parts of the Empire. For not only does each have designs on certain territories, the hungry States are not in agreement among themselves as to the division of the spoils. Their conflicting claims are too fundamental to be resolved in any other way than by force of arms. Further, aggrandizement by these States would compel the United States—only to maintain their relative position in the delicate European balance of power to enter the race.

Nor could the three score and six States of the British Empire defend their independence. During the century of its world preponderance Britain became the policeman for more than a quarter of the globe, and the members of the Empire came to rely on her for protection against foreign aggression. Some handed over their safety into British hands voluntarily as a measure of economy; others were compelled by the British to do so for their selfish imperialist reasons. The protection the mother country has been able to give them until now has been, no doubt, effective; but as a result, those States have very close to complete disarmament.

It is inconceivable that such world-shaking convulsions would not leave their imprint on every person in the American, International trade would disappear; new cultural problems would confront us even more pressing would be the new political currents. Certainly we would not have to fight for Canada; it would come out of the Union. The British possessions in the southern part of the continent would also fall under our wings, with self-protection would doubtless force the United States to establish effective domination over the whole Western Hemisphere and adjacent islands.

But even any limit that we would tolerate the extension of Japan's domination over Singapore, India, Australia and New Zealand would give it complete control over the Pacific. Even if sacrifice of our vital interests on other continents kept us out during the first stages of the gigantic scramble, the day when one or the other of the mighty world powers would cross hot steel with us could not be far postponed. For the new Napoleons would dream of making us all those of the past, of world domination. Today, when the lives of millions of men are in the balance and a false step may spell the doom of nations, informed men think that such an affair is no longer a virtue and luxury for the few; it has become of vital interest to the many. The time in history, public opinion now determines international and foreign policies of governments; the mistakes of imperialism and the consequent disasters can no longer be blamed on a closed caste generated from the masses. And, as I have attempted to indicate, events in political structure hold greater interest to humanity than those in the British Empire.

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## WAR IN THE DESERT BATTLE IN KENYA

### Italians Routed In Big Engagement

LONDON, July 4 (Reuter).—Details of a battle between British and Italian troops near Moyale (in Kenya on the Abyssinian border) were available in London to-day.

A British outpost was held by one company of men. A much larger force of Italians crossed the frontier suddenly and attacked the outpost from the rear.

**Enemy Driven Out**  
British reinforcements were sent immediately and launched a counter-attack in co-operation with bombers of the Royal Air Force and the South African Air Force.

An R.A.F. communiqué says that South African Air Force bombers made direct hits on gun emplacements and blew up an ammunition dump. The land force drove the Italians out of British territory, restored the outpost and destroyed four Italian guns.

**Enemy Assaults Repulsed**  
CAIRO, July 4 (Reuter).—A British war communiqué issued to-day stated: "In the western desert the enemy advanced yesterday against Sollum but subsequently withdrew. On the Kenya front on Tuesday, supported by artillery and aircraft, the enemy made three unsuccessful assaults on Moyale. Our casualties were slight. On other points there is nothing to report."

## DEATH PENALTY WARNING

LONDON, July 4 (Reuter).—In the House of Commons to-day, Sir John Anderson, replying to a question, stated that any person proved to have participated against the security of this country would be guilty of an offence under the Treachery Act and liable, on conviction, to suffer the death penalty.

Sir John intimated that he would not be deterred from immediate action by any considerations of social standing.

## INTERNMENT OF ALIENS

LONDON, July 4 (Reuter).—Sir John Anderson, the Home Secretary, in the House of Commons to-day, made a written reply to a series of questions on the subject of aliens.

Sir John said that in view of the exigencies of the military situation, certain further categories of Germans and Austrians are being interned but it would not be in the public interest to give details of the scheme at this stage.

## SOVIET EMBASSY CLOSES

TOKYO, July 4 (Reuter).—The Soviet Embassy at Peking was closed to-day according to a Japanese report. All other Soviet diplomatic missions and consulates in Japanese-occupied areas in North China have already been closed.

The Soviet Consul-General, M. Nikitin, and his wife will leave at 7.50 to-morrow by train for home, the reports adds.

## 32 BOMBS ON ALEXANDRIA

CAIRO, July 4 (Reuter).—A naval communiqué states that during an Italian air raid on Alexandria to-day 32 bombs were dropped but there was only slight damage.

The casualties were three killed and four slightly injured.

One bomb fell on King Farouk's estate.

## Colombo's £15,000 War Gift

COLOMBO, July 4 (Reuter).—The Colombo Municipal Council is contributing £15,000 for war purposes. In a resolution to this effect, the Council expresses the city's debt to the Royal Navy for the security it enjoys.

The people of Jaffna, in northern Ceylon, have started a fund to purchase fighters as an expression of their gratitude for the benefits they enjoy under British rule.

**Nigeria's Contribution**  
LONDON, July 4 (Reuter).—Nigeria has given the British Government £100,000 from the emergency fund to assist the prosecution of the war.

## RINKS GAMES SHOULD BE PLAYED THIS SUNDAY

In view of the fact that the Inter-Continental Masonic Lawn bowls match has been cancelled, all links in the Championship matches that were postponed last Sunday should make every effort to play off this Sunday.

TOKYO, July 4 (Reuter).—Following two sessions of the Joint Trade Conference, the visiting Spanish Economic Mission and the Japan Chamber of Commerce and Industry signed a declaration for the promotion of trade relations between the two countries to-day.

LONDON, July 4 (Reuter).—A secret session of the Ministry of Economic Warfare will be held next Thursday.

## Nazis Feel Pinch

### Economic Blockade Has Its Effect

LONDON, July 4 (Reuter).—"I believe that the economic war is making itself felt increasingly as the war goes on and will make itself felt, not as a primary weapon, but as an essential auxiliary with the Army, Navy and Air Forces in the defeat of the enemy," said Mr. Hugh Dalton, Minister of Economic Warfare, to-day.

Speaking about the prospects of invasion, Mr. Dalton said: "We shall never surrender. We shall fight. We shall never put up the white flag. We shall, if need be, die, but we will continue to the last. Every Whitehall is completely blotted out, we shall go on."

**Choice Made**  
"There is no question that the Government and the British people it represents are determined to see this through to the end. We have made our choice. Although it will be a great struggle we intend to achieve a total triumph over the enemy."

Mr. Dalton, who fought with the British Army in Italy during the last war, went on: "I think the Italians will come to their senses quicker than the Germans. They have a better sense to come to. They have a richer history. It is not in their nature to be enemies of mankind."

Mr. Dalton added that he continued to regard Italy as a potential ally of our cause.

The whole organisation of home defence, he said, has been worked out by the combined staffs of the three fighting services and the Government believed that the present scheme gave the Commander-in-Chief of Home Defence the necessary control in both the military and civil spheres.

It would be the greatest mistake at this moment to remould an organisation working to the satisfaction of the principal executives concerned. He had not heard any practical suggestion as to who the super-Commander-in-Chief should be.

**EXPENSIVE  
NAZI RAID**

LONDON, July 4 (Reuter).—The total of German bombers brought down on Wednesday is now found to be higher than it was thought.

The latest figure is seven destroyed and six more so badly damaged that it is unlikely that they managed to get home.

Earlier reports had said that six were destroyed. A seventh, it is now learned, was brought down by one of our fighters 15 miles inland in France after a chase across the Channel.

**NEW RUMANIAN  
GOVERNMENT**

BUCHAREST, July 4 (Reuter).—M. Ion Gligu has formed a new national government, strongly anti-Semitic and pro-German in character.

Several of the new ministers were in the Goga anti-Jewish Cabinet of 1938. Others are members of the Iron Guard.

It is stated that the Rumanian Government adheres to the policy of neutrality, but will intensify Rumania's relations with the Axis Powers.

This communiqué was issued after the first meeting of the new Cabinet to-night says the Swiss-Radio.

**Cabinet Personnel**  
BUCHAREST, July 4 (Reuter).—M. Gligu, the new Prime Minister, has formed a new National Government strongly anti-Semitic and pro-German in character.

Several of the new ministers were in the former Goga anti-Jewish Cabinet of 1938, and several of the Iron Guard members are also included.

A provisional list includes, Vice-Premier, General Ionescu; Minister for the Interior, General Popescu; Minister of Finance, M. Eugene Savu; Minister for Foreign Affairs, M. Miliuti Monoliescu, as Iron Guardist who recently arrived from Germany.

**STOCK EXCHANGE  
IMPROVES**

LONDON, July 4 (Reuter).—The Stock Exchange to-day resumed an upward movement in all groups following news of the French Fleet.

Useful gains in general and some shortage of stock of the leading industrial and gold-mining shares were reported.

In the early afternoon activity was reduced owing to the imminence of the Prime Minister's speech in the House of Commons, but business again increased shortly prior to the close of trading.

Wall Street was closed.

## NAZIS TO INVADE EIRE?

ZÜRICH, July 4 (Reuter).—The German Press is now asserting that the neutrality of Eire is being threatened by Britain and that Germany is therefore entitled to make counter-acting moves.

This is a familiar phase of Nazi technique, but its application to Eire is noted with deep interest in London.

**Defence measures by the Eire Minister of Defence include the placing of Dublin, Kingstown and Cork under military control.**

## YANGTSE FIGHTING Japanese Harassed Near Ichang

CHUNGKING, July 4 (Reuter).—Heavy fighting is in progress on the south bank of the Yangtse River, opposite Ichang.

Japanese troops from Ichang have crossed the river three times in an effort to clear up Chinese forces concentrated on the south bank, according to Chinese reports.

**Chinese Successes**  
The first and second groups of Japanese troops who crossed the river on June 29 and on the night of June 30 were dispersed by the Chinese on July 1, the reports declare.

But the Japanese again crossed the river on July 2.

Chinese forces, it is added, are launching vigorous attacks in an effort to clear the south bank of Japanese troops.

## Three Killed In Explosion

**Bomb Outrage At  
World's Fair**

NEW YORK, July 4 (Reuter).—Three detectives were killed and several others injured by an explosion bomb at the British Pavilion in the New York World's Fair, according to police headquarters.

A bomb was found hidden in the Pavilion.

The police were called and the bomb exploded while it was being removed, causing some damage to the Polish Pavilion nearby.

There were 168,000 visitors inside the fair grounds celebrating Independence Day at the time of the explosion, and several thousand were at the foreign exhibit area which is the British Pavilion's locale.

## EVACUATION FROM BELFAST

LONDON, July 4 (Reuter).—The evacuation of school-children from Belfast will begin on Sunday when about 15,000 to 20,000 registered children are to be moved from the city.

Unregistered children will be evacuated from vulnerable areas next Monday.

This decision is taken by Northern Ireland's Ministry of Public Security.

## THE WAR FUND Additional \$50,000 Sent To Home Government

**TWO LARGE DONATIONS**

Among yesterday's donations to the War Fund organised by the South China Morning Post, Ltd., were cheques for \$10,000 from Imperial Chemical Industries (China) Ltd., and \$5,000 from the Hongkong Club.

The total donated to-date is \$1,230,241.84 plus \$2,753.18s. 9d.

A further remittance of HK\$50,000 was sent to the British Government yesterday. This amount, realised \$2,118,910d, bringing the total sum remitted to date to £77,002.4s. 10d.

The following is the latest list of contributions:

Miss A. M. Xaxler ..... 15  
S. A. R. ..... 25  
S. A. R. ..... 5  
S. A. R. ..... 5  
The Hongkong Club ..... 5,000  
Imperial Chemical Industries (China) Ltd. .... 10,000  
Mr. Tang Shu-kin ..... 500

**Britain And The  
Petain Govt.**

LONDON, July 4 (Reuter).—It was asked in the House of Commons to-day if the French Government at Bordeaux now under German control was recognised by the British Government.

Mr. R. A. Butler, Home Secretary for Foreign Affairs, replied: "It is not yet possible to speak with certainty as to the conduct of our relations with the Petain Government."

LONDON, July 4 (Reuter).—Prince Bernhard of the Netherlands to-day inspected Dutch warships at a British port. He reiterated his faith in victory.

## FANTASTIC SEQUEL

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said that one French battleship was sunk and another badly damaged. In addition two destroyers and an aircraft-carrier were either sunk or set on fire. One battleship, although hit by a torpedo escaped and was joined by other French vessels which reached Toulon.

Mr. Churchill paid tribute to the courage of the French warships at Oran, which, he said, was characteristic.

He added that the loss of life must have been heavy, as the British were compelled to use most severe measures, and immense explosions were observed.

**Italian Fleet Skulks**  
No serious damage had been caused to Italian warships, said the Premier, while the Italian Fleet "prudently kept out of the way."

Mr. Churchill stressed that Britain had secured, or had defeated, a large portion of the French fleet, while they had done their utmost to prevent the Germans from obtaining French ships at large.

"We shall take the necessary steps to maintain command of the Mediterranean."

"The very grievous and drastic action we have been compelled to take should not lead to rumours of British intentions to negotiate peace. We shall, on the contrary, prosecute the war with the utmost vigour."

**Churchill's Tears**  
Mr. Churchill concluded his speech with tears in his eyes, and he sat down with a bent head and flushed face.

Members of Parliament all rose and cheered wildly, even the galleries joining in.

Shortly afterwards, the House went into secret session.

**Awaiting Petain's Decision**  
LONDON, July 4 (Reuter).—Commenting on France's proposed Governmental changes, semi-official circles in London quote the descriptions applied to Marshal Petain by the German official news agency which calls him the "Führer of the French Government."

The newspaper, "Parisien," to-day said that the French nation, confident, disciplined and resolute, waits the decision Marshal Petain is about to take.

Other newspaper re-echo this view.

It should be remembered, however, that censorship has played a big part in France since early June. At one time France had only one paper, issued and controlled by the Government. Now, although many further French papers have resumed circulation there are signs that the hand of the censor has not been lifted appreciably.

**Outwardly Calm**  
ALEXANDRIA, July 4 (Reuter).—No information regarding the future of the French fleet in Alexandria has been made public yet.

Meanwhile the combined British and French fleets remain in the harbour, outwardly calm.

**Washington Reaction**  
WASHINGTON, July 4 (Reuter).—The British action regarding the French Fleet is regarded here as regrettable but necessary.

It has been considered axiomatic in American naval circles that the British could never allow the French fleet to fall into German hands.

The British Government would undoubtedly have been criticised if it had not taken the necessary steps.

It was felt that the combined French, Italian and German navies might have proved a real threat to British seapower. It is now thoroughly realised that they would be a threat also to American security.

## HALIFAX'S STATEMENT

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Nor is it necessary to translate into words the feelings which are uppermost in our minds and those who have thought that on the close union of the United Kingdom and France depended the victory of our common cause and who still think that the relations of our two countries must for good or ill be powerful in the future world.

**Must Appreciate Action**  
"But it is also true and it is on this fact that the Government bases their action, that it is only through victory for British arms that the liberation of France herself can be achieved. (Cheers.)"

"Therefore, we in this country, who are determined to resist to the end whatever the cost, the German attempt to dominate Europe, must rely upon the power of the French nation sooner or later to appreciate the final purpose of the British people and to judge fairly the crucial choice which the French Government, under German pressure, had so unhappily imposed upon us" (Loud and prolonged applause).

Throughout Lord Halifax's statement and remarks of the subsequent speakers, there was obvious and vigorous sympathy from all quarters of the House.

## FUNDS FROM AMERICA

Washington, July 4.  
The Red Cross announces that it has cabled \$25,000 to the Philippines Red Cross for emergency aid to American and British refugees from Hongkong.

The Manila President, Mr. Carlos H. Forster had wired estimating that Manila's white population would be doubled by the influx and feeding and housing facilities would be required for 2,500. The message stated that the army and navy were giving assistance. —United Press.

## CANADA IS CHEERED

### Disposition Of French Fleet Is Tonic

OTTAWA, July 4 (Reuter).—Indications are that Mr. Winston Churchill's statement on the disposition of the French Fleet has done more to encourage Canadians than anything since the start of the war.

The British action, difficult though it was, has made it clear above all question the determination of the British Empire to fight to a finish, in the opinion of the Canadian munitions.

**Canada Will Be There**  
LONDON, July 4 (Reuter).—It is stated in London that if additional personnel is required for officiating the French Fleet now in British hands, Canada can supply it.

Royal Canadian Naval Volunteer Reserve members have been training in Britain for some time and others are following on.

Admiralty officials, greatly impressed with the Canadians' keenness, have stated that such men will be a valuable asset to the Royal Navy.

## University Bombed

### Japanese Raiders Over Chungking

CHUNGKING, July 4 (Reuter).—Japanese aircraft in three groups raided the western outskirts of Chungking this afternoon.

The University area at Shapingba was again subjected to heavy aerial bombing.

Chinese fighters engaged the raiders in several aerial battles, the results of which are not yet known.

An alarm was sounded here at 11 a.m. when Japanese aircraft in several groups were reported to be heading for Chungking.

**On Western Outskirts**  
It was thought that they were flying to Chengtu or Kiating because they were sighted heading westward along the Chengtu Road; but about 2.30 p.m. the raiders suddenly turned eastward towards Chungking, reaching the capital at 3 p.m.

They dropped bombs on the western outskirts, mainly in the University area, where the Central University has already been bombed twice.

Yesterday five groups of Japanese aircraft headed westward for Chungking but owing to bad weather conditions they dropped their bombs in the vicinity of Fushan on the Yangtse River near the eastern border of Szechuen.

Japanese bombers from Hankow on June 30 were unable to reach the capital because of heavy rains. They bombed Patung while bombers from Shensi raided Sian, according to reports received here.

## Europe Peppared With Bombs

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These two are reported to be captured.

**20 Raiders Attack**  
LONDON, July 4 (Reuter).—Twenty German bombers in waves of three visited England to-day and dropped several bombs over a south-west seaside town.

The roof of a house and the window panes were broken by the blast. One more, probably two, German raiders were shot down by our fighters, says a news agency.

Other planes appeared over the south-east and north-east but no damage is reported.

## Messerschmidt Down

LONDON, July 4 (Reuter).—The Air Ministry in a communiqué says that in an engagement with enemy fighters over the southeast coast of England this evening, R.A.F. fighters shot down a Messerschmidt into the sea, and severely damaged another Nazi plane.

**Direct Hits Scored**  
In a series of dive attacks on Ever aerodrome at Brussels, R.A.F. bombers made direct hits with high explosive bombs on a group of hangars, one of which immediately burst into flames.

At least five bombers dispersed on the ground are believed to have been hit as well as other aircraft.

Enemy aircraft were also hit at The Hague aerodrome.

## AUSTRALIA PREPARES

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The Premier of Victoria, Mr. Dunstan, has confirmed that the Commonwealth Government has approved him for Victoria's aid in preparing for the reception of the evacuees. Mr. Dunstan said he did not know how many evacuees would be allotted to Victoria; the type of accommodation they would require.

"Victoria will do everything in its power to accommodate the Hongkong people," he said.

Former residents of Hongkong now living in Australia or visiting the Commonwealth on leave are keeping the cable offices busy, cables to Hongkong for news and offering accommodation to friends.

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The Lai Tsun Union swimming team, whose medley relay team is as yet undefeated this season. Standing at the back in the white coat is Chan Chun-nam, cross-harbour champion, with Yau Sai-kwan and Lau Tai-ping second and third respectively on either side. S. H. Wong, the coach, is seated second from the right.—Ming Yuen.

## LEAGUE BASKETBALL

### Chinese "Y" Defeat Kwong Tai U. In Thrilling Last Minute Rally

(By "GUARD")

HERO OF THE HOUR on Wednesday was Luk Tut-cheung of Chinese "Y" when, in the last split second before full time he repeated his performance when playing against Pui Ying by sinking a basket from well out to give Chinese "Y" victory over Kwong Tai University in the tightest cage league game this season 36-35.

In the other senior game Combined Banks gained their first victory of the season when they humbled a Wah Kiu quintette 43-34, in a match in which they were not visited with the usual "bad joss" that seems to have been following them around.

From the bell Kwong Tai played the "zone" defence, but their passings were faster and more thought-out than "Y's". Chan King-chor of "Y" gave his team the lead when he was successful with a foul shot, but this lead was only short-lived as Chan Siu-luk sank a basket to give Kwong Tai the lead again. Luk Tut-cheung of "Y" was doing great things as guard, and was easily

### HIGH JUMPER JOINS R.A.F.

London, June 28. Stanley West, the Olympic high jumper and Great Britain's best exponent for years, is in the Royal Air Force as a physical training instructor.

For some time West, who is a travelling salesman, has had little opportunity for training, but he hopes to get plenty of time to get fit and enable him to better his best jump of 6 ft. 3 in.—Reuter.

the best player on the court, while Wong Wai-hung did excellent work sinking baskets from Luk's efforts. Kwong Tai's Chan Siu-luk and Lee Chun-sing were the only players who were really dangerous.

When half time had reached Kwong Tai was in the lead 22-20 due to a nice basket by Lo Tung.

### STEAM-ROLLER OFFENSIVE

FROM the resumption Kwong Tai went further ahead in a steamroller offence that "Y" failed to stop. Ng Suen-chiu scoring from a difficult position a lovely one-handed shot, 24-20, "Y" made a great effort and mainly due to Luk were they able to somewhat check Kwong Tai, but Chan Siu-luk managed another basket, 26-20.

Au Chi-keung, who was included earlier on, suddenly struck a good pitch and proceeded to give as good an account of himself as Luk, and the two of them managed to hold the Tains while first Au, from field goal, then Wong Wai-hung brought them up to two points arrears.

The game continued at its fast pace, but the "Y" players found the man-to-man defence a trying effort and were showing signs of flagging, while the Tains appeared the fresher team. Kwong Tai, mainly due to Lo Tung, who was playing a grand game with Chan Siu-luk, again gained a six-points lead, 32-26, over the "Y". Au and Wong of "Y" made great efforts and their team once more were two points behind at 33-31.

### A DEAD-LOCK

A DEAD-LOCK seemed to have settled as neither side seemed capable of taking the ball past the other's guard. Luk Tut-cheung dwarfed his earlier half play by performing like two men himself.

"Y" forwards made the most of Wong Wai-hung, their centre. Leung Kong-keung, Tain guard, vied with Luk for honours in their respective positions, and was not far behind. Throughout the game he had not been displaced, and performed just as well as at the beginning.

"Y" made a gallant attempt, drew level and then passed the Tain's score at 34-33 in a mad scramble. With four minutes to go, Lo Tung, sank a lovely field goal to give his side the lead at 35-34. Like true sportsmen, they gave the "Y" an even chance of getting the game and refused to "freeze" them despite the encouragement of their supporters.

### THE FINAL GOAL

"Y" profited by their sportsmanship when Luk intercepted a pass intended for Lo Tung to try blindly, and just as the ball was tinkling the ball was sailing along and sank through as clean as a whistle to give "Y" victory 36-35 after a splendid game.

### The Scores

FIRST DIVISION  
Combined Banks 45 Wah Kiu 34  
Chinese "Y" 36 Kwong Tai 35  
SECOND DIVISION  
Prizes 48 Cheng Pak 30

## Thrilling Moments Of Cup Semi-finals

### Blackburn Eliminate Newcastle 1-0

JUNE 1 was a beautiful day for the Cup Semi-finals. The 14,238 people at Blackburn saw a very quiet game. No bells or rattles—none of the usual cup-tie settling, except perhaps in that final swelling cheer as the whistle went, and Blackburn Rovers trooped off the field with a one-goal margin of victory over Newcastle United.

There was just a second-half spell of ten minutes or so that took one back to old times—to that semi-final, drama at Old Trafford, Manchester, last season, when Grimsby's full-back had to don the injured goalkeeper's jersey against the Wolves.

At Blackburn the Newcastle goalkeeper Swinburne twisted an ankle in making a save from Clarke after 73 minutes, and Woodburn was his deputy for five minutes.

### DEFENSIVE BLUNDER

BUT before that—10 minutes after half time—Swinburne had figured in the big dramatic moment of the match as he stood helplessly watching a header from Clarke flash past him.

The goalkeeper was unsighted as But's centre came across, and as Clarke met it with his head Swinburne, it seems, thought Craig had it covered. A defensive blunder—how often has that summed up a Cup defeat!

Woodburn later made a few heart-in-your-mouth saves as deputy goalkeeper until Swinburne returned from his brief rest.

Then Cairns shot across the Rovers' goal-mouth in the last minute to bring visions—but visions only—of extra time.

It was the finish.

So Blackburn Rovers deserved to reach the final because of a scoring chance that was snuffed up and a general level of team play that was better than Newcastle's.

### DODGERS HUMBLE GIANTS

NEW YORK, July 4 (UP).—Brooklyn Dodgers humbled the New York Giants to-day 5-1, maintaining their lead in the National Baseball League. The complete scores were:

### NATIONAL LEAGUE

	R.	H.	E.
Brooklyn	5	10	0
Battery: Davis, Phelps.			
New York	1	7	1
Battery: Lohman, Joiner, Dan-nings.			

Boston	3	8	2
Philadelphia	4	6	0
Battery: Blanton, Atwood.			

### AMERICAN LEAGUE

New York	12	11	0
Battery: Chandler, Dickey.			
Boston	4	10	0
Battery: Wilson, Ostarmueller, Peacock.			

### Fulham's Recovery Just Fails

THE WEST HAM-FULHAM semi-final at Chelsea was a real thriller, and after being four goals down soon after the interval, Fulham staged a great recovery and only lost by the odd goal in seven.

In contrast the other semi-final at Blackburn was a tame affair.

When a minute after the restart at Chelsea, West Ham were put four goals up with a Foxall special. It looked as if it would be a question of how many goals they would score.

Then came the most dramatic change.

In 20 minutes Fulham had made it four-three, and the West Ham goal died a dozen deaths before the final whistle.

It was a surprise goal by Woodwards, when West Ham had slackened which set Fulham alight.

### FURIOUS ATTACKS

FULHAM finding that extra yard which had been lacking all through the first half, swept down on the West Ham goal. Finch passed to Rooke and the centre scored.

More furious attacks with West Ham surviving miraculously, and then as Evans was boring in he was brought down in the penalty area.

When Rooke scored from the spot kick the 32,000 crowd raised the roof. The din was continuous as Fulham threw in ten men for the equaliser, but West Ham managed to survive.

Had Fulham produced some of this phenomenal speed in the first half they must have won, but they were content to let West Ham dictate matters with Macaulay and Goulden giving ample time to demonstrate their artistry. It was largely these two whom West Ham must thank.

### CONNECTED AT LAST

#### Thrilling Fight Won By Jackie Rankin

London, June 1. Jackie Rankin, of Southall, won one of the most exciting fights seen in London for a long time when he knocked out Billie Walker, of Stratford, in the eighth round at the Stadium Club.

The fight was for the featherweight championship of the Southern Area, and at the end of the seventh round anyone unacquainted with the remarkable punching power of Rankin would have said that Walker was already the winner.

Except for the first round, when he was twice knocked down, Walker had won almost every round by a good margin, outboxing his aggressive opponent with a fine steady left. During the fourth round an old wound near Rankin's right eye was reopened and his case began to look hopeless. But Rankin, although a poor stylist, is the fastest hitter in England to-day—and, for his weight, the hardest.

He missed with his fierce hooks dozens of times, but at last in the eighth round he caught his man. Walker was dazed, and within a few seconds, under a shower of punches, he went down to be counted out.—Our Own Correspondent.

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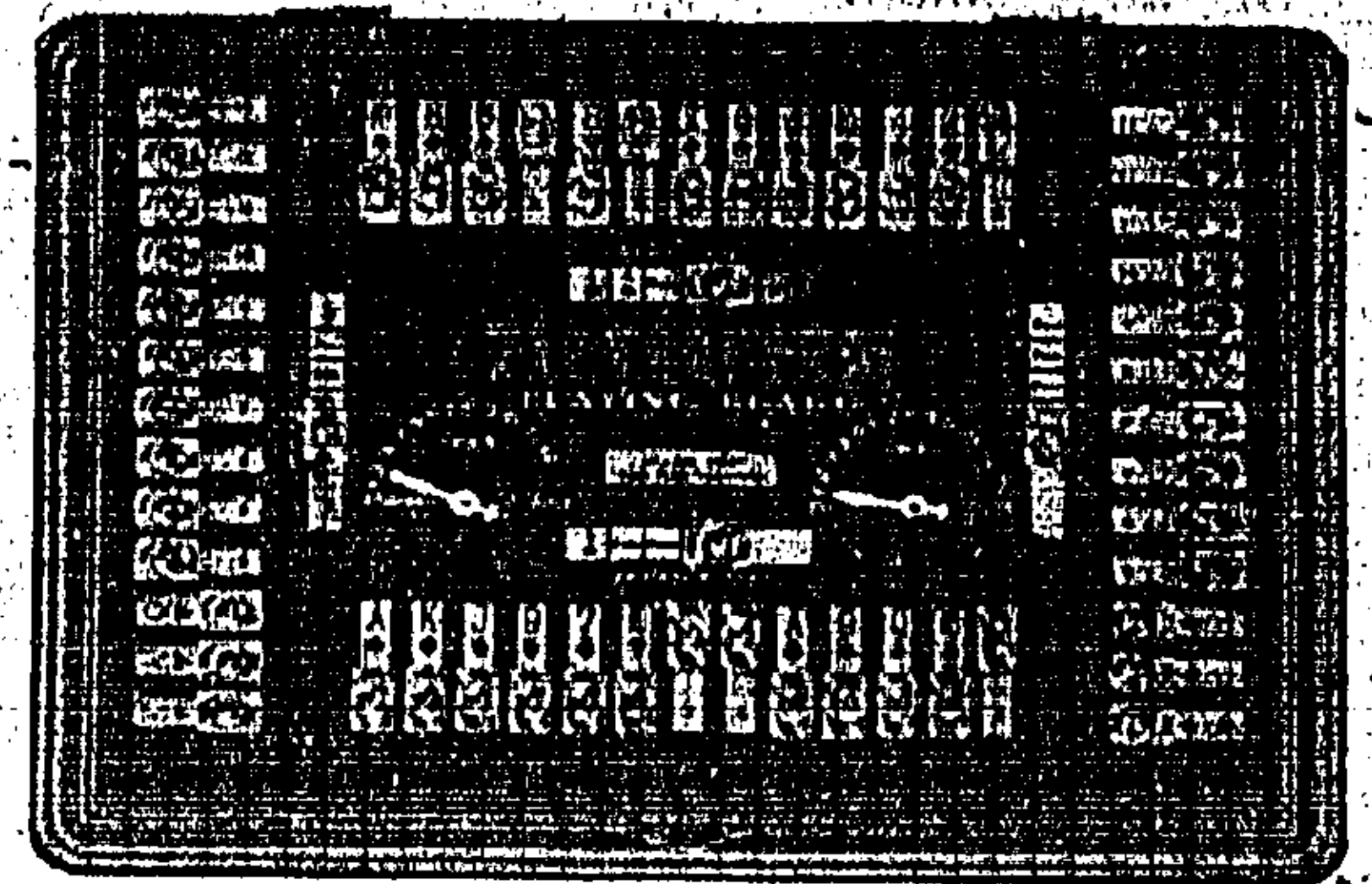
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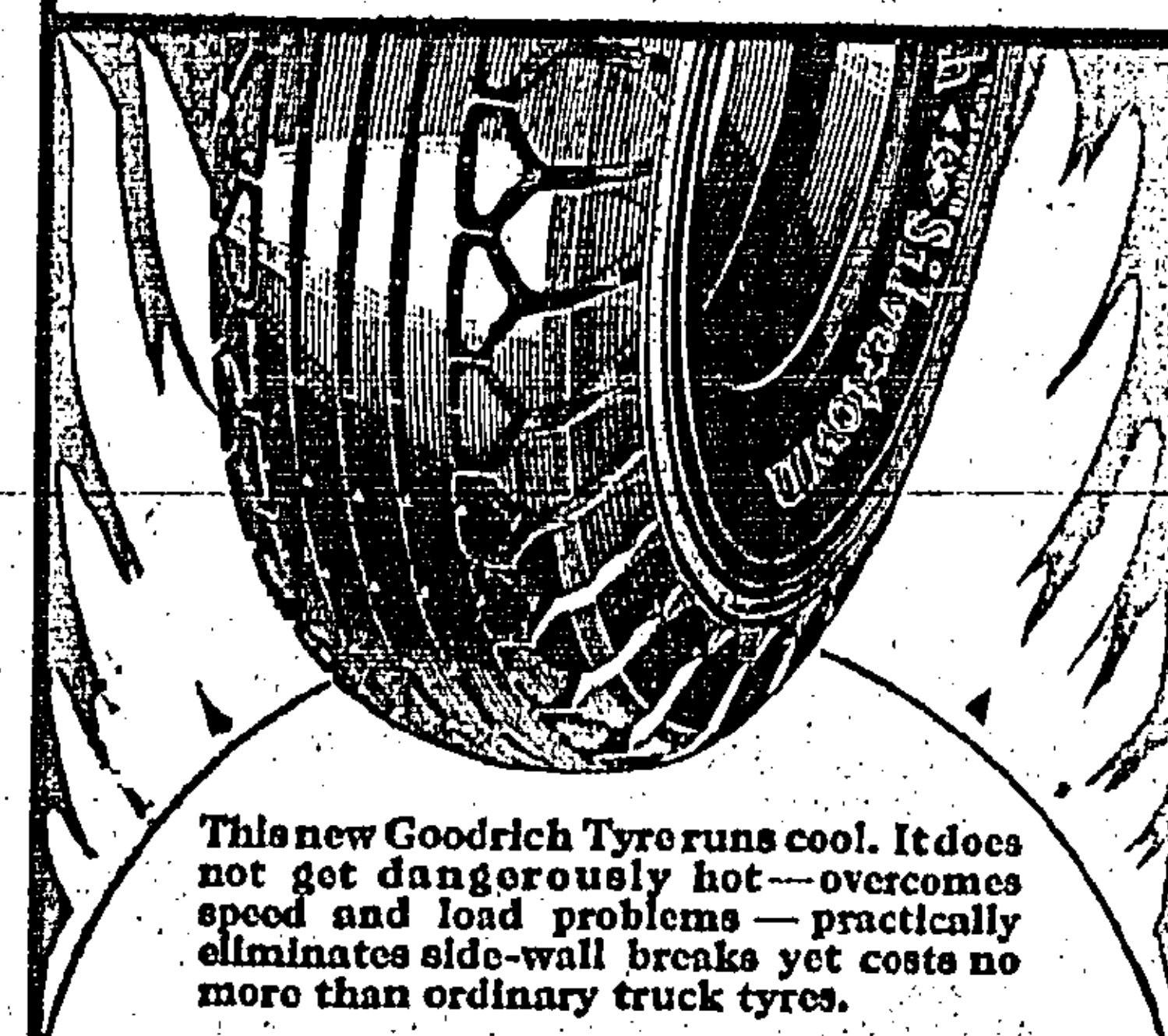
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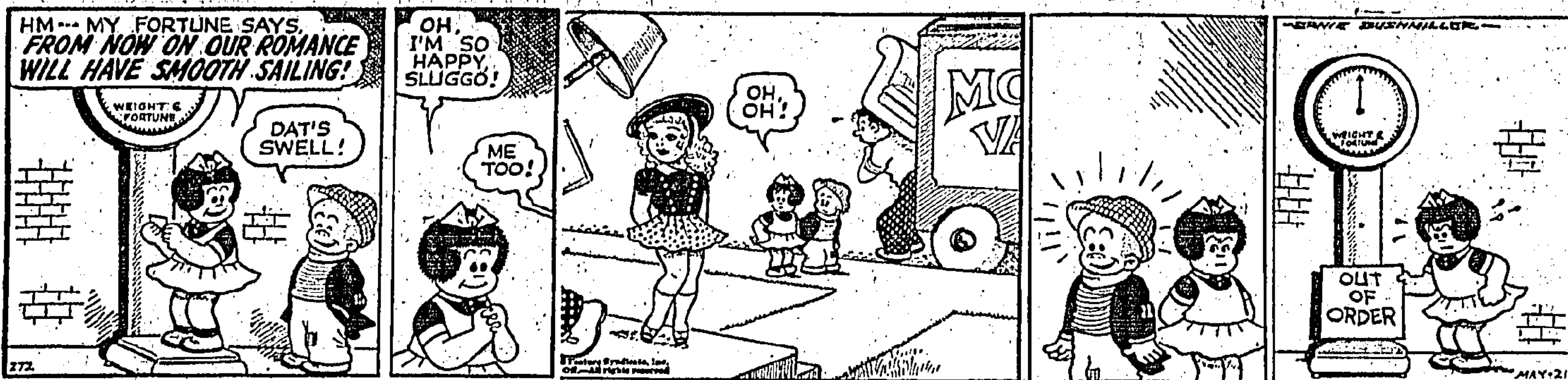
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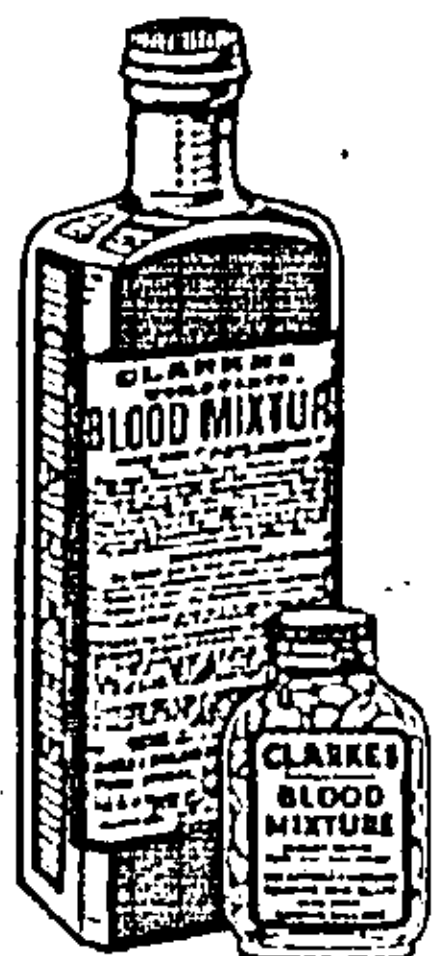


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## UNDRESS ACT IN REVUE WAS 'ARTISTIC'

80,000 GET RISE

A strike of 80,000 textile workers in the bleaching, dyeing and finishing trades has been avoided.

Wage increases of 2s. 6d. a week for men, 1s. 6d. for women, with proportionate advances for juniors, were agreed to recently.

This was announced after an eight hours' conference in Manchester between representatives of the employers and trade union sides.

The unions had asked for increases of 15 per cent. for time workers and 10 per cent. for piece rate workers.

## LONDON FIREMEN MOBILISE

ALL London's fire services, regular and auxiliary, were mobilised during a series of fires and manhole explosions recently.

Manhole covers were blown off in Queen-street, City, when an explosion damaged a gas main under the pavement.

Fire broke out but the firemen could not extinguish it for fear of more explosions.

Stood by 5 Hours

They stood by for five hours, protecting buildings. Later, the street was closed while repairs were made.

Meanwhile calls came to two fires—one at a dance hall in Albion-road, Stoke Newington, N., the other at works in Borough—High-street, S.E.

In both cases the buildings were badly damaged and families living near them left their homes for safety.

Three Injured

Two youths and a cyclist were injured when two manhole covers blew up in New-square, Lincoln's Inn, E.C.

Windows of a building were shattered and the canvas of sandbags was set on fire.

Firemen were called up to this outbreak by Mrs. F. W. Ashard, of Plum Tree Court, wife of an air-raid warden. She broke the glass of a fire alarm with a newspaper.

## TOLL OF THE ROAD

Only One Fatality In 98 Accidents Last Week

In the Colony of Hongkong, including the Island, Kowloon and New Territories, during the week ended on Saturday, there were altogether 98 traffic accidents as the result of which one person was killed and 41 persons were injured.

The person killed, a Chinese female, age 10, was knocked down and killed by a lorry whilst crossing the carriageway.

Vice last weeks return, the Chinese male, age 20, and the Chinese female, age 60, who were knocked down and injured by a tram-car and a private car on June 15 and June 18 respectively while crossing the carriageway, succumbed to their injuries on June 27 and June 28 respectively.

Of the persons injured, 27 were pedestrians who were struck by vehicles while crossing the carriageway, one bicycle rider and one rickshaw coolie were injured as the result of collisions between vehicles, one motor cyclist and a bicycle rider were injured when their vehicles ran into an iron bar and the roadside respectively, eight tram passengers were injured while alighting from moving trams; and one bus passenger and one tram passenger were injured while attempting to board a moving bus and a moving tram respectively.

Of the 98 accidents, 37 were collisions between vehicles, 37 were collisions between vehicles and pedestrians and 24 accidents were due to other causes.

## Jack Warner's Lucky "Alibi"

JACK WARNER was due to face a big ordeal recently—his first appearance as a star at the annual gala performance for the Brinsworth Home.

Millions knew him as a wireless artist; few had ever seen him on the stage, for a year ago he was a motor salesman who added to his income at smoking concerts and dinners.

Without new "material" he felt very nervous about it, and then, because of a Brighton dress rehearsal of "Garison Theatre" as a stage show, had a perfect alibi.

Gracie Explains

Usually, at the "Vanity Com-mand," the King and Queen go—and the Brinsworth Home benefits to the extent of £2,000.

This time the substitute performance realised not more than £1,350.

It was hoped to make up the rest by an appeal on the air; for the show was broadcast right across the Commonwealth and to the troops in France.

Gracie Fields, who was at her best, apologised for not singing comedy numbers with the words: "I am singing Sunday songs."

"Blue" Turns

It is a pity two of the other artists were not equally circumspect. They were "blue."

Vic Oliver and Flanagan and Allen were cleverly topical. Vic said he was saving up for two years so that he could afford to see "Gone With the Wind."

Bad spoke of his new song, "Hitler Dies on Monday," he means "It's a Lovely Day To-morrow."

## HEARING THE WAR IN LAKE

CROWDS gather every day round a lake at Fritton, near Great Yarmouth—to listen to the war.

The lake, surrounded by trees, for some unexplained reason acts as a sound-conductor.

Boom of Guns

The boom of guns can be clearly heard if you stand by the water.

Mr. William Ward, who lives near, said: "We had similar experiences in the last war."

## RURAL RECONSTRUCTION

Mr. Percy Chen will give a lecture on "Methods of Rural Reconstruction" in the Library of the Chinese Y.M.C.A., Bridges Street, at 8 o'clock to-night, under the auspices of the English Discussion Club.

The lecture will be illustrated by motion pictures of the work of the Shum Chun Rural Welfare Centre. All interested are welcome.



The fact was in a revue called "Eve—Oh, the Naughty Gal Revue," presented at Her Majesty's Theatre, Carlisle. Summonses were brought at Carlisle Police Court against four people—

Harry Benet, producer, of Beak-street, W.; for causing part of a new stage play to be presented before it had been allowed by the Lord Chamberlain.

Arthur Charles Crosby, as manager of the theatre at the time.

Francis Pinney Adey, an actor, whose address was given as c/o Bernard Delfont, Queen's House, Leicester-square; for acting a part of the play.

Melville Glen, a young actress, whose address was given as Beak-street, W., for acting a part.

"A Girl And ???"

Mr. G. W. Davidson, prosecuting, said that Mr. Benet submitted a script of the revue to the Lord Chamberlain, and—subject to certain amendments—obtained a licence. But the script did not mention an act given on March 12, which was entitled "A song, a girl, and ? ? ?"

The turn began with Adey singing a chorus. He told the audience he did not know what was happening behind him, and it depended on the audience whether the song was

encored.

He then sang "Scatterbrain," and curtains behind him parted, showing the girl Glen in a short black lace frock.

While Adey was singing she removed her frock and faced the audience in the nude. The lights were gradually dimmed and the curtains drawn as the song came to an end.

Split Second Only

Mr. Eldon Lightfoot, defending, said that the girl stood in the nude for only a split second.

Mr. Lightfoot emphasised that the prosecution was for omitting to obtain a licence for the script, and said the defendants would strongly resist any suggestion that there was anything improper in the turn.

Mr. Benet did not submit the script of this turn to the Lord Chamberlain because it was in the nature of a dumb show, and he did not know that a dumb show needed a script.

He had been in the theatrical business for forty years and had never had a complaint against him.

Benet was fined twenty guineas and five guineas costs, and Crosby was fined one guinea and one guinea costs.

The cases against Adey and Miss Glen were dismissed, as the magistrates felt they acted under orders.

## Summonses Against Miners Withdrawn

Summonses issued against 800 miners at Rossington Colliery, near Doncaster, for damages for breach of contract, arising from a lightning strike, have been withdrawn after discussions with the Yorkshire Miners' Association. The men are to work for at least five shifts a week for ten weeks.

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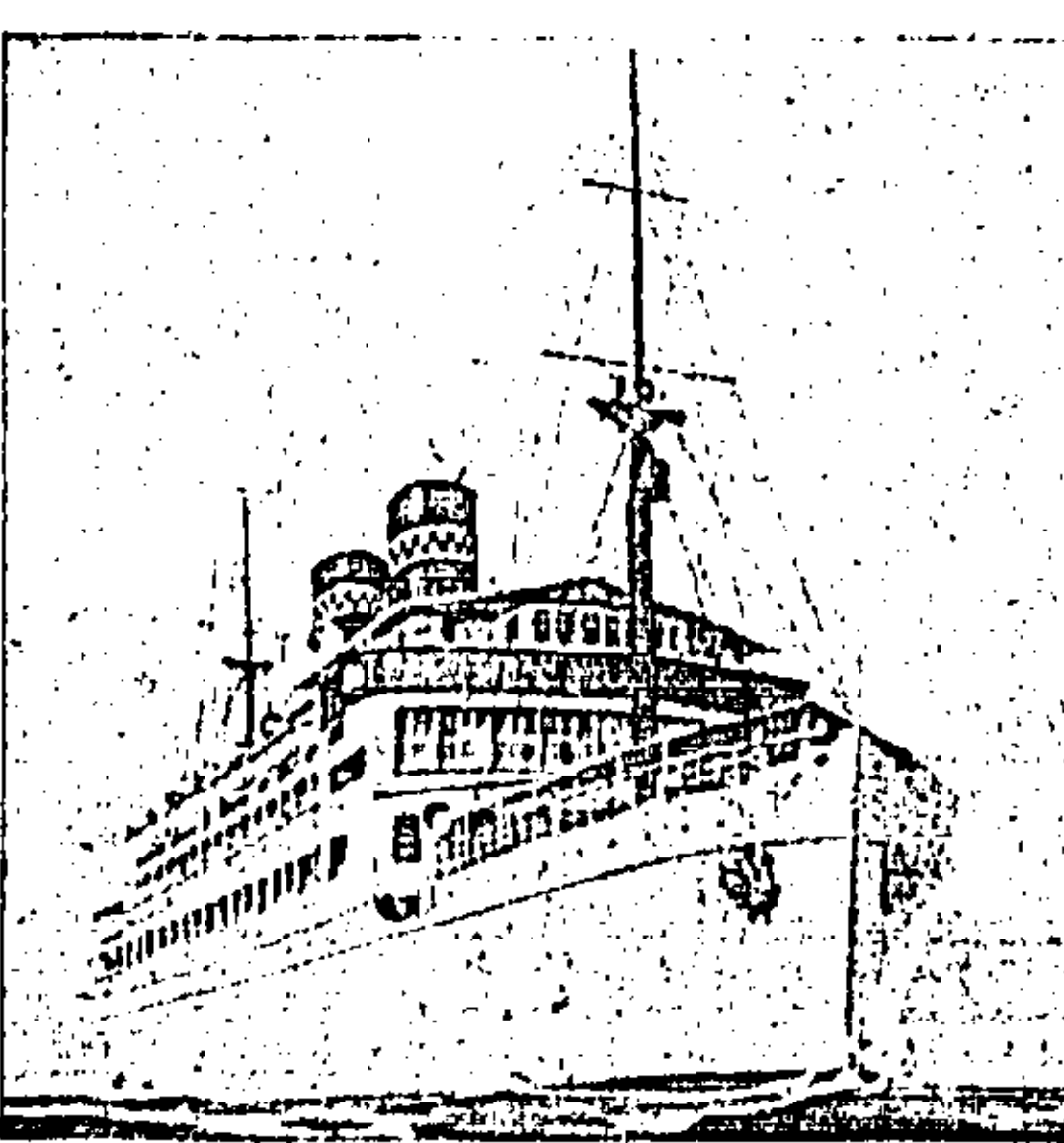
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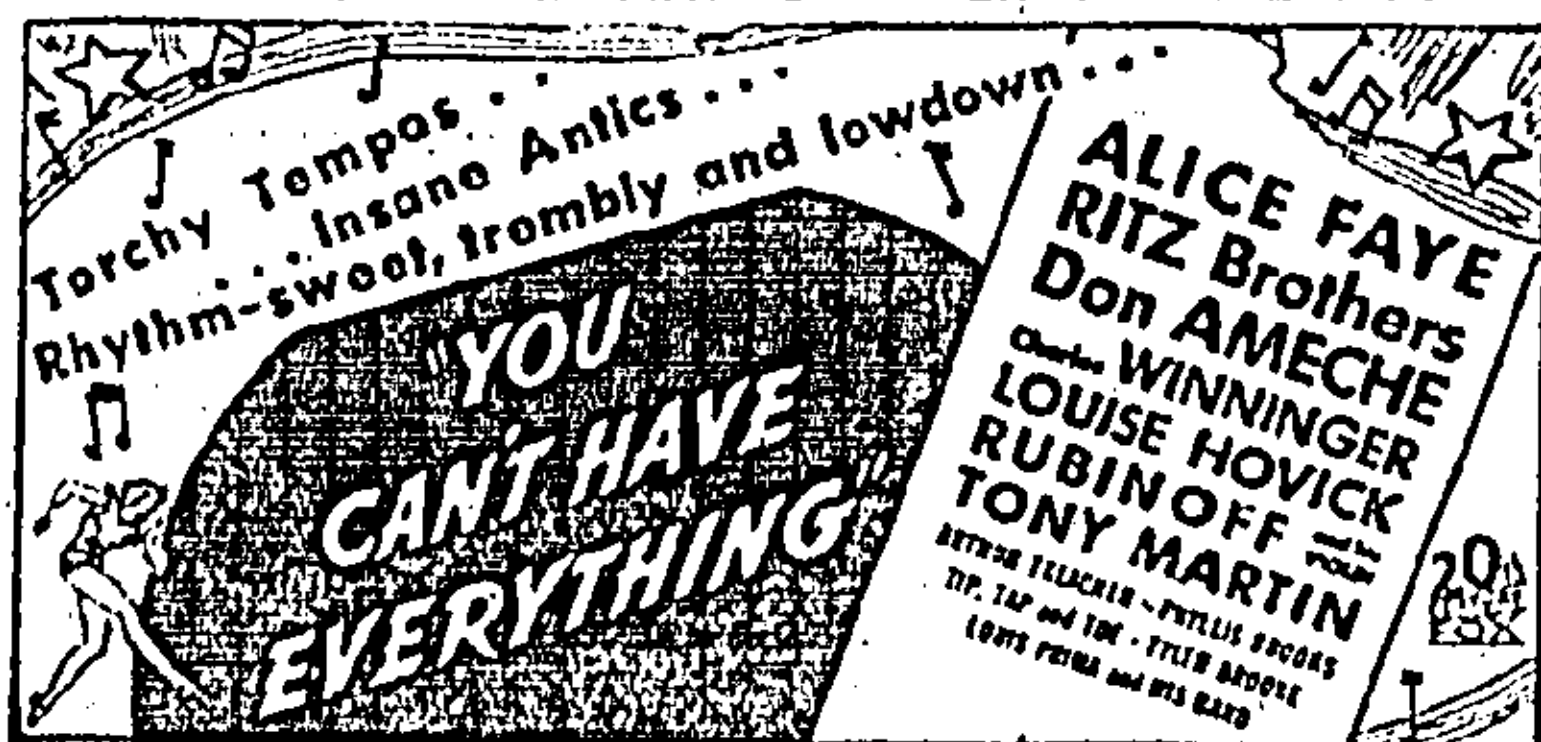
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## This ARP Wife Says Husbands Should Put Up With Inconvenience

MRS. VIOLET BLACKETT, of Shakespeare-road, Hanwell, Middlesex, has a husband, two sons, aged 15 and 13, and a daughter aged 9. In addition, she does 72 hours duty a week as a paid full-time A.R.P. worker.

She summoned her husband, James Blackett, of Milton-road, Hanwell, at Ealing recently, asking for a maintenance order, alleging desertion and persistent cruelty.

She lost her case, the chairman saying: "The difference between the parties is whether the wife should continue to remain as a paid A.R.P. worker or to give whole time to her domestic duties. The wife refuses to give up the work and the husband is justified in his objection."

### Every Wife—

But Mrs. Blackett said this to the "Daily Herald": "A husband should be prepared to put up with a little inconvenience when a war is on. Every wife with fewer than five children should be doing some share in A.R.P. work."

"I have three, and while I put my duty to my husband and my home before everything else until war began, I have felt it my duty since September to do full time A.R.P. work, even if my husband objects. My post is only round the corner, and whenever my husband wanted me to be at home I could always manage it, because I was post warden and arranged my rota."

### Joining Waifs

"My husband never came home to an empty house or a cold room during the winter. I used to sit in my A.R.P. times with his work. It is only since we parted that I have done night shifts."

"Even while doing full time I have not fallen down in my job as wife or mother."

"Now I have filled in my resignation form from the A.R.P. service and to-night I am posting off my application to join the Women's Auxiliary Air Force as a cook."

### NO CELEBRATIONS

The usual reception at the American Club and other parties to celebrate July 4 were cancelled by the American community yesterday owing to the world crisis. The money which would have been spent will be donated to the British War Council, Senate, and staff, and a list of graduates since the first conferment of degrees, are also given.

## Trainees To Get Free Fares

TWO developments for increasing the labour supply to war industries were announced by the Ministry of Labour recently.

Free outward fares will now be granted by the Ministry to unemployed who wish to travel more than five miles to train for work in engineering, shipbuilding, agriculture or forestry.

Employers willing to offer training should notify the Ministry's nearest office.

They should state the occupation in which training will be given, wages during training, estimated length of training, the type of job on which the worker will be subsequently employed, and whether a man, woman or juvenile is required.

The Ministry's other scheme is to speed up the engineering courses in the Government training centres. The standard course has been one of six months, but over in peace-time men have usually been released in 20 weeks after passing certain tests. Course will now be confined to the absolute essentials of war-time needs, reducing the training period still further.

### UNIVERSITY CALENDAR

A copy has been received of the Calendar of the University of Hongkong for 1940-41. This sets out in some detail the statutes, general regulations, terms and fees, regulations and syllabuses of the different Faculties, scholarship facilities, and so forth. Full lists of officers, Court, Council, Senate, and staff, and a list of graduates since the first conferment of degrees, are also given.

## FIRST LADY



Recent guest at New York Fair was Senora Maria Torosa de Lopez Contreras, wife of President of Venezuela, who was honoured at reception at Federal building. Above, she is greeted by Fair President Grover Whalon, as she arrived.

## Extra Meat For Land Workers

ABOUT 1,000,000 farmers, farm labourers, and heavy workers on the land, may shortly receive a larger ration.

If it is granted, there will be renewed demands from the mining and other heavy manual industries for supplementary meat rations.

Only 70 per cent. of the nation's meat ration is being consumed just now. Price is the limiting factor.

Despite the Food Ministry's admission that eggs will be scarce in the coming autumn and winter, following the loss of Danish supplies and curtailed imports of feeding-stuffs, the Ministry holds out little hope to British poultry-keepers.

"The Government attaches to its policy that priority in supplies of imported feeding stuffs must go to milk cows, sheep and fat stock and pigs before poultry," said a Ministry official.

QUEBEC, July 4 (Reuter).—The second group of British children to reach Canada this week arrived today. Most of them left immediately for Montreal.

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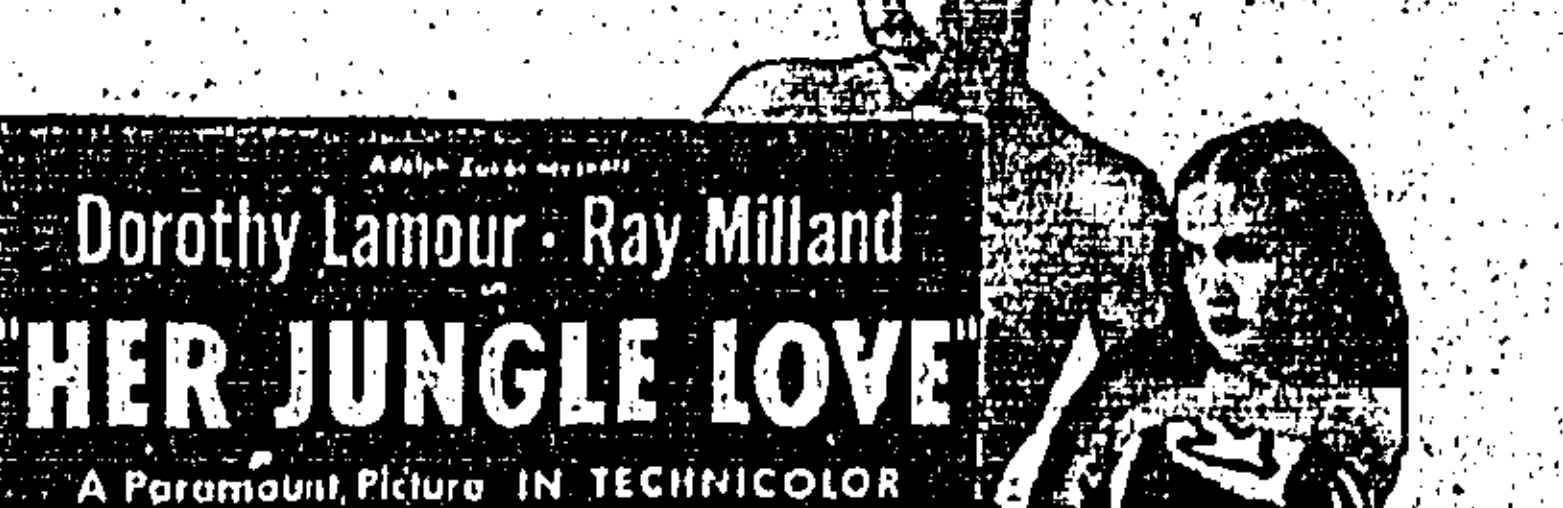


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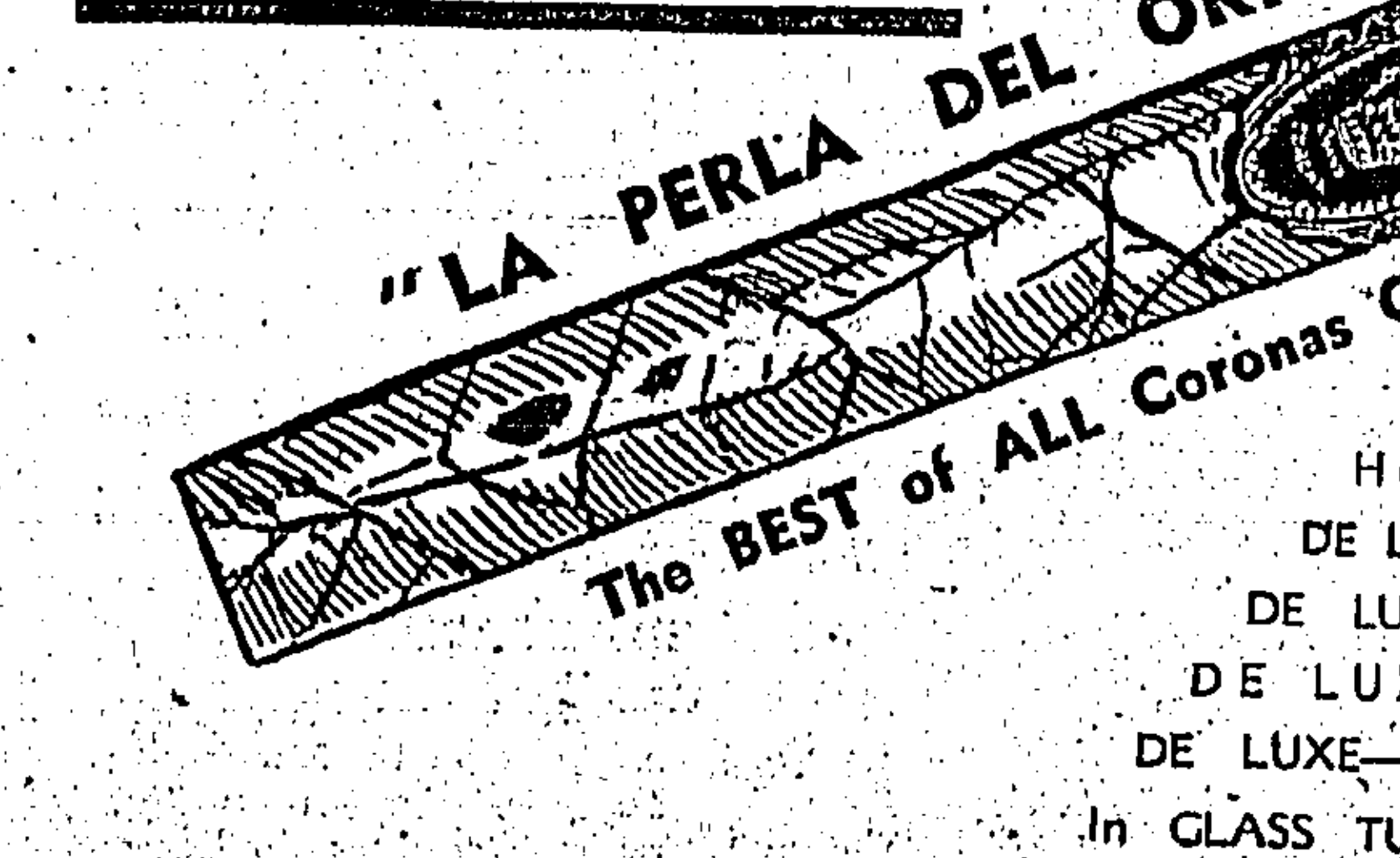
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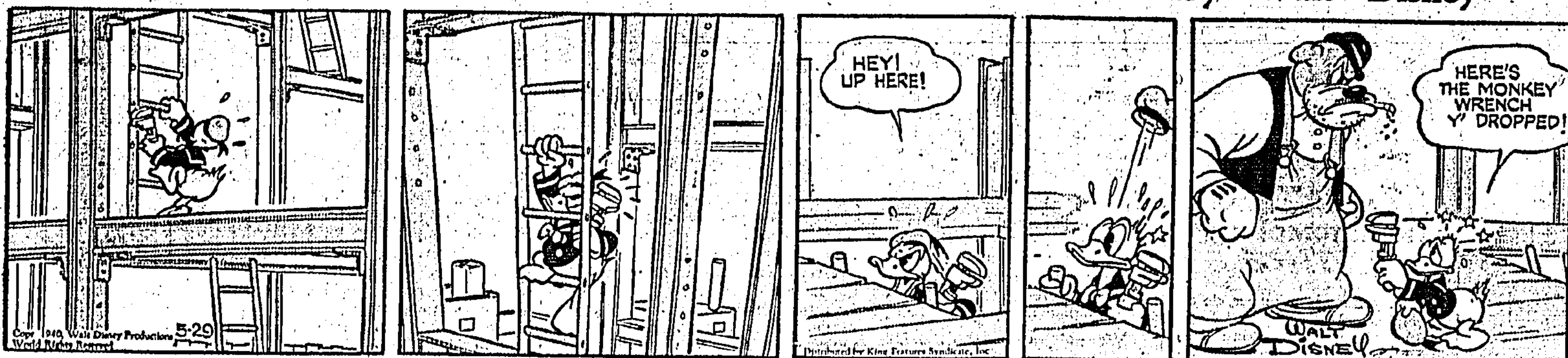
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## BIG BATTLESHIPS IN FLAMES IN AFRICAN PORT

LONDON, July 4 (Reuter).—A summary of the Oran naval action has been issued by DNB, the official German news agency.

It shows that France's biggest commissioned battleship, the 26,500-ton Dunkerque is now in flames in Oran harbour.

## HALIFAX'S STATEMENT

Defence Of British Naval Action

LONDON, July 4 (Reuter).—The statement made by Lord Halifax in the House of Lords to-day was similar in substance to that of Mr. Winston Churchill in the House of Commons.

Concluding his speech, Lord Halifax said: "It is melancholy to reflect that the magnificent ships of the French Navy should have been prevented by their government from continuing the struggle with their comrades in arms against the common foe, but should rather have been ordered to resist their former comrades in order that they might place themselves under enemy control."

"The officers and men of the French Navy were placed in a position which must have seemed to them well-nigh intolerable."

**Petain's Choice**  
"As regards the government of Petain, I am bound to observe that they have placed the redemption of their promise to the enemy before their solemn pledge to their Ally, and this brought to a point of cruel dilemma the position in which His Majesty's Government were placed. "But it is not only conditions or circumstances that the Government would rest their case. It is inevitable that what has passed, distorted as it will be by enemy propaganda, must create sharp resentment from France, where already the distress of the war and the harsh conditions of the armistice have strained public opinion almost to breaking point."

"It is not difficult to realise what will likely be the feelings among the officers and men of the French Navy, among members of the French Government and the French people. Nor is it necessary to translate into words the feelings which are uppermost in our minds and all those who have thought that on the close union of the United Kingdom and France depended the victory of our common cause and who still think that the relations of our two countries must for good or ill be powerful in the future world."

**Must Appreciate Action**  
"But it is also true and it is on this fact that the Government based their action, that it is only through victory for British arms that the liberation of France herself can be achieved (Cheers)."

"Therefore, we in this country, who are determined to resist to the end and whatever the cost, the German attempt to dominate Europe, must rely upon the power of the French nation sooner or later to appreciate the final purpose of the British people and to judge fairly the cruel choice which the French Government, under German pressure, had so unappetisingly imposed upon us" (Loud and prolonged applause).  
Throughout Lord Halifax's statement and remarks of the subsequent speakers, there was obvious and vigorous sympathy from all quarters of the House.

LONDON, July 4 (Reuter).—A secret session of the Ministry of Economic Warfare will be held next Thursday.

## Italy Wants to Fight The British Navy

—From Behind Her Minefields

LONDON, July 4 (Reuter).—A Rome-Radio announcer, in what appeared to be a reply to Mr. Churchill's statement that the Italian Navy "kept prudently out of the way" at Oran, declared to-day that "Italian naval units played the part of spectators because they could not get to the spot in time."

The announcer threatened naval reprisals and extended an invitation to the British fleet to "repel the action against an Italian naval base."

## YANGTSE FIGHTING Japanese Harassed Near Ichang

CHUNGKING, July 4 (Reuter).—Heavy fighting is in progress on the south bank of the Yangtse River, opposite Ichang.

Japanese troops from Ichang have crossed the river three times in an effort to clear up Chinese forces concentrated on the south bank, according to Chinese reports.

**Chinese Successes**  
The first and second groups of Japanese troops who crossed the river on June 20 and on the night of June 30 were dispersed by the Chinese on July 1, the reports declare.

But the Japanese again crossed the river on July 2.  
Chinese forces, it is added, are launching vigorous attacks in an effort to clear the south bank of Japanese troops.

## University Bombed Japanese Raiders Over Chungking

CHUNGKING, July 4 (Reuter).—Japanese aircraft in three groups raided the western outskirts of Chungking this afternoon.

The University area at Shapingpa was again subjected to heavy aerial bombing.  
Chinese fighters engaged the raiders in several aerial battles, the results of which are not yet known.

An alarm was sounded here at 11 a.m. when Japanese aircraft in several groups were reported to be heading for Chungking.

**On Western Outskirts**  
It was thought that they were flying to Chengtu or Kiating because they were sighted heading westward along the Chengtu Road; but about 2.30 p.m. the raiders suddenly turned eastward towards Chungking, reaching the capital at 3 p.m.  
They dropped bombs on the western outskirts, mainly in the University area, where the Central University has already been bombed twice.

Yesterday five groups of Japanese aircraft headed westward for Chungking but owing to bad weather conditions they dropped their bombs in the vicinity of Fushan on the Yangtse River near the eastern border of Szechuan.

Japanese bombers from Hankow on the Yangtse River were also reported to have been active in the area.

## Nazis Feel Pinch Economic Blockade Has Its Effect

LONDON, July 4 (Reuter).—"I believe that the economic war is making itself felt increasingly as the war goes on and will make itself felt, not as a primary weapon, but as an essential auxiliary with the Army, Navy and Air Forces in the defeat of the enemy," said Mr. Hugh Dalton, Minister of Economic Warfare, to-day.

Speaking about the prospects of invasion, Mr. Dalton said: "We shall never surrender. We shall fight. We shall never put up the white flag. We shall, if need be, die, but we will continue to the last. Even if Whitehall is completely blotted out, we shall go on."

**Choice Made**  
"There is no question that the Government and the British people are determined to see this through to the end. We have made our choice. Although it is a great struggle we intend to achieve a total triumph over the enemy."  
Mr. Dalton, who fought with the British Army in Italy during the last war, went on: "I think the Italians will come to their senses quicker than the Germans. Although a better sense to come to. They have a richer history. It is not in their nature to be enemies of mankind."  
Mr. Dalton added that he continued to regard Italy as a potential ally of our cause.

## NAZIS TO INVAD EIRE?

ZURICH, July 4 (Reuter).—The German Press is now asserting that the neutrality of Eire is being threatened by Britain and that Germany is therefore entitled to make counter-acting moves.

This is a familiar phase of Nazi technique, but its application to Eire is noted with deep interest in London.

Defence measures by the Eire Minister of Defence include the placing of Dublin, Kingstown and Cork under military control.

## SCOURGE OF SONG PIRATES

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for the P.R.S. not to track down a "pirate" and extract the fee. Sometimes these have been lawsuits; one in particular secured a great victory for the music-makers. A High Court decision was obtained ruling that when a publican or a restaurant proprietor broadcast music by means of a loud-speaker to his patrons he was liable to a licence, the fee to be divided amongst the society's members.

**Broadcasting Complications**  
Broadcasting seemed to complicate matters at first, but eventually the P.R.S. came to an arrangement on behalf of its members, by which composers should receive a fee varying between three shillings and ninepence and five shillings every time a piece of his work was broadcast. Moreover, the fee was payable for every station transmitting and even it relayed. A vast amount of music is broadcast or—dispensed by—gramophone records; they also pay a fee.

Owing to the fact that American popular music is in such demand in this country, several thousands of pounds are sent to American composers and publishers every year; but by a reciprocal agreement British music receives the benefit for being played in America. The P.R.S. had to put up a fight to secure this right, and eventually succeeded in persuading the Federal Government to pass legislation preventing piracy.

Should you hear a dance band in Oskosh playing the "Lambeth Walk" you may be sure that Mr. Noel Gay will ultimately receive the appropriate fee.  
As can be imagined, this collection of great numbers of comparatively small sums entails a great amount of work in the Hanover Square offices, and demands intricate filing and book-keeping. In addition, copyright law is by no means the same in every country, and even some of the Dominions' laws differ from those of Great Britain.

In twelve months something like a quarter of a million sterling is collected in licence and copyright fees by the P.R.S. It does not all go to British composers, because included are the sums collected on behalf of foreign composers. France, for instance, takes about £25,000 a year.

There are constant evasions of the law, but in scores of cases they are unwitting. When a local dance band plays at a village "hop" it may forget, if it ever knew, that fees are due to the composers and publishers of the tunes it plays. Officials of the P.R.S. are always on the watch for this sort of thing.

The past history of popular music contains many cases of men who have composed airs that took the world by storm receiving only a few pounds for their work. To-day the man who manages to please the world's ear can assess his income in thousands. Not every composer hits such a high spot as that, but whether terrifically successful or just modestly capable, the composer knows to-day that he is getting his just dues.

G. A. Perrier

LONDON, July 4 (Reuter).—Prince Bernhard of the Netherlands to-day inspected Dutch warships at a British port. He reiterated his faith in victory.

## CANADA IS CHEERED

Disposition Of French Fleet Is Tonic

OTTAWA, July 4 (Reuter).—Indications are that Mr. Winston Churchill's statement on the disposition of the French Fleet has done more to encourage Canadians than anything since the start of the war.

The British action, difficult though it was, has made it clear above all questions the determination of the British Empire to fight to a finish, in the opinion of the Canadian mind—the street.

**Canada Will Be There**  
LONDON, July 4 (Reuter).—It is stated in London that if additional personnel is required for officering the French Fleet now in British hands, Canada can supply it.

Royal Canadian Naval Volunteer Reserve members have been training in Britain for some time and others are following on.

Admiralty officials, greatly impressed with the Canadians' keenness, have stated that such men will be a valuable asset to the Royal Navy.

## Melancholy Commons

Story Of Naval Fight Heard In Silence

LONDON, July 4 (Reuter).—The cold melancholy of a funeral service gripped the House of Commons as members listened to Mr. Churchill unfolding the story of the British attack on the ships of their French ally, writes "Reuter's" lobby correspondent.

Mr. Churchill himself seemed to have almost physical difficulty in forcing the facts from an unwilling lips.

For a few minutes, the stark tragedy of the events showed up the tide of determination for victory which characterises the House of Commons in these days.

**Dead Silence**  
There was a dead silence as the French losses were enumerated and Mr. Churchill expressed his fear that the loss of French lives had been heavy.

Then the darkest portion of the panorama passed and the Prime Minister proceeded to quote our inflexible resolve to do everything possible to prevent other ships falling into German hands.

The tension was broken when Mr. Churchill declared that he left the Cabinet's action to the judgment of Parliament. Members relieved their pent-up feelings by a tremendous cheer.

**Churchill Cheered**  
The end of his speech—after he had given the lie direct to rumours of negotiation with Germany and Italy and had reiterated the determination of the country to fight on until victory was achieved—gave the House occasion for unleashing the feelings that had been growing during the speech.

Mr. Churchill sat down with the appearance of having completed a strenuous physical and mental task. Immediately the whole House burst into loud applause and Mr. Churchill seemed almost crushed by the volume of applause and sat crouched in his seat with his chin on his chest.

Mr. Churchill quickly recovered and rose to move that the House enter into secret session.

As he stood at the despatch box, his appearance was a signal for another spontaneous burst of cheering.

**32 BOMBS ON ALEXANDRIA**  
CAIRO, July 4 (Reuter).—A naval communiqué states that during an Italian air raid on Alexandria to-day 32 bombs were dropped but there was only slight damage.

The casualties were three killed and four slightly injured.  
One bomb fell on King Farouk's estate.

**SOVIET EMBASSY CLOSES**  
TOKYO, July 4 (Reuter).—The Soviet Embassy at Peking was closed to-day according to a Japanese report. All other Soviet diplomatic missions and consulates in Japanese-occupied areas in North China have already been closed.

The Soviet Consul-General, M. Nikitin, and his wife will leave at 7.50 to-morrow by train for home, the reports add.

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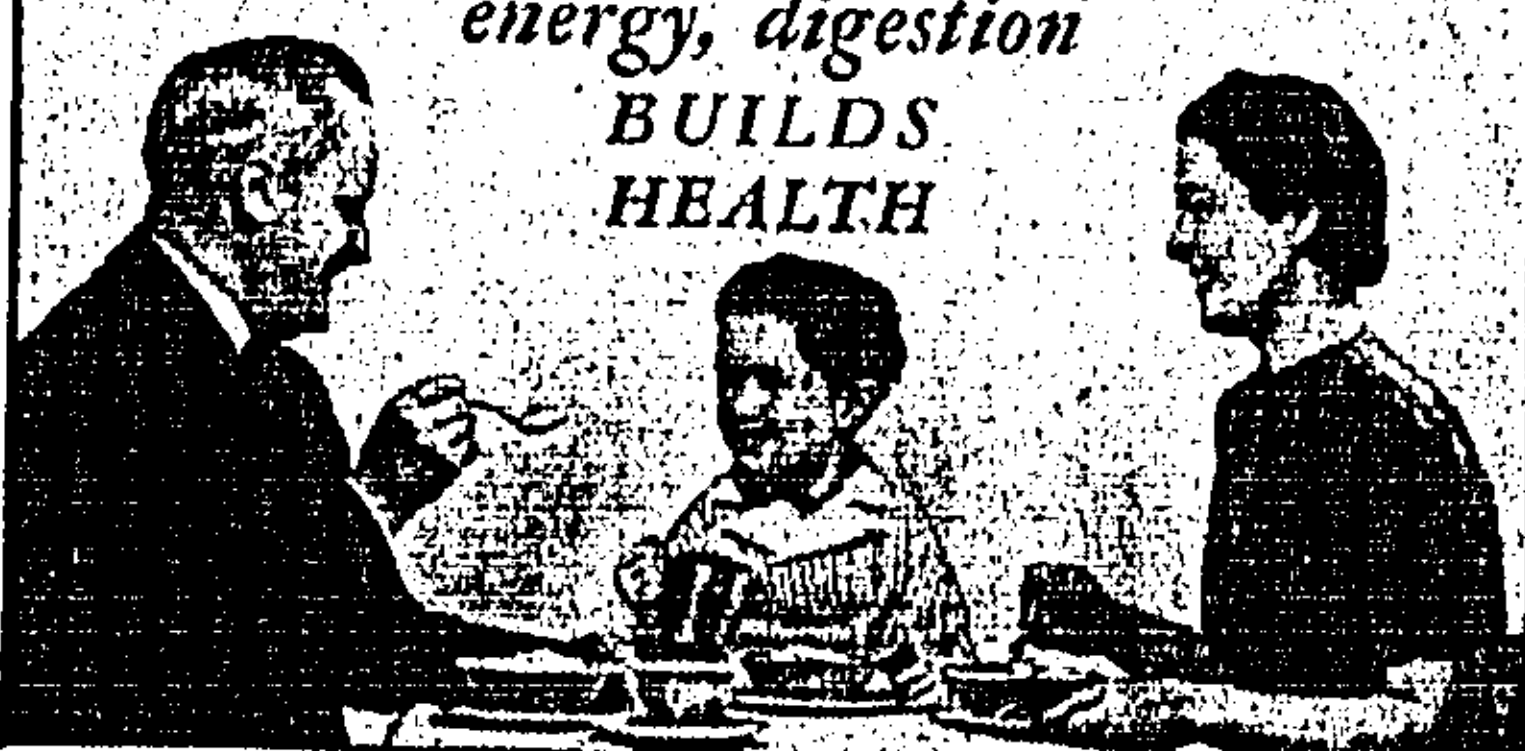
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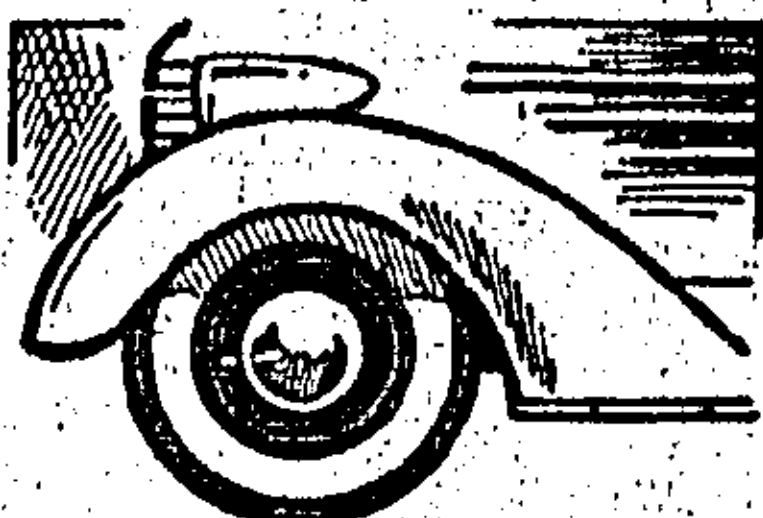


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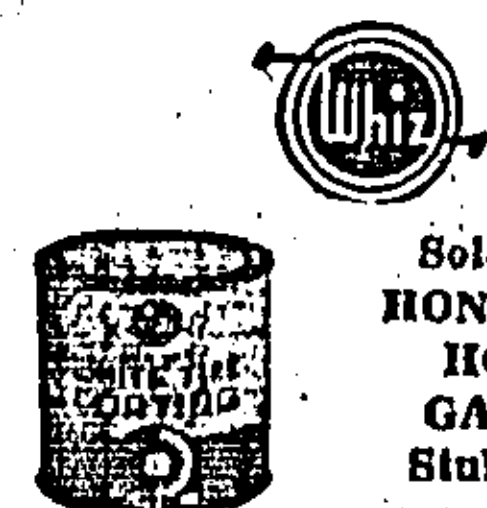
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#### Arms And The Freeman

Basically democracy is stronger than military power. Nevertheless the effect of military developments on the evolution of free government has at times been profound. Some students of history even infer that the ups and downs of democracy through the ages follow changes in the relations between the various groups of arms.

For example, when cavalry was a decisive factor in warfare, aristocracy assumed the saddle of government; because only the well-to-do could afford control of the equipment necessary to military power. But when infantry became the decisive factor, the placing of weapons in the hands of the masses brought with it the necessity of meeting in a degree the demands of the masses. Moreover when every man could by the possession of a small arm make a considerable defence of his home and liberty, politics had to take account of the fact.

Thus, we are told, has evolution—sometimes revolution—in military equipment effected deep changes in social organisation.

To-day the world once more is passing through a period wherein the big and expensive type of armament appears to be more and more decisive. Airplanes cost more than houses, ever did tanks, battleships, submarines and even some of the smaller types of artillery—these are not designed to fit the small man's pocketbook. But neither, happily for democracy, do they fit the wealthy man's purse. They are indeed so expensive that only the co-operation of all the people—with the bulk of the means necessarily less well-to-do—can finance them.

In the present war, therefore, the revolution of mechanised warfare has more meaning for democracy simply in the striking power which at the outset it has provided for the declared enemies of democracy.

Military experts are assessing the changes in land and naval warfare that result from the use of tanks and airplanes on an unprecedented scale. These changes appear disadvantageous to naval power, but the more striking conclusion of the experts, The Norwegian campaign indicated that air power has made naval operation near land risky and even ineffectual, unless supported by an adequate air arm.

Thus naval strategy may have to be revised. It may become more like land strategy. As infantry is moved into a position prepared by artillery and the advance of mechanised forces, so airplanes must be brought up to make tenable the positions that battleships take.

Land warfare has undergone similar modification. It has become more like naval warfare. Tanks are its battle ships, the experts say by way of illustrating this point. Tanks, aided by airplanes, break the path for men and power to pass over. In addition the development of the air arm has added a new sort of artillery to warfare. The airplane is like a mobile gun—the most mobile men have ever known—delivering its fire with an accuracy and concentration apparently more demoralising than any artillery fire of the past.

This war has indeed uncovered a revolution in military method. Where such alterations have occurred in the past they have affected democracy indirectly. To-day they may still exert indirect influence, but the effect that concerns democratic peoples at this moment is a most direct one. It lies in a frank and even boastful intent to destroy democracy's foundations with monsters which, however, democracy can harness to work for the protection of freedom.

## Will Nazis Stand the Test?

By "An Old Stager"

REMARKABLY enough, little or no importance seems to have been attached in any responsible quarter to one of the most significant revelations yet made as to the course of this war. I refer to the account, published by our own authorities, of what really happened at Montevideo after the naval action between the Graf Spee and our small cruisers.

We now know that, after hastily making urgent repairs to their slightly battered pocket-battleship, which was in perfectly adequate fighting trim, the officers ordered the crew to their stations with the intention of steaming out to renew the fight with our sorely hammered light cruisers. But the German sailors virtually, if not actually, mutinied. Only sixty of the older hands stepped forward, and the rest, out of nearly a thousand men less battle casualties, refused to obey orders.

We are told authoritatively that they were appealed to eight times, by their captain and other officers, but nothing would budge those youthful Nazi enthusiasts. To quote our incomparable King Hal of Agincourt fame, they had no stomach for this fight. Or, as our modern lower-deck Jack Tars would phrase it in good terse Anglo-Saxon, they had already had more than their bellyful of British naval gunnery.

#### Swastika Swagger

It was when this predicament was communicated to Hitler, by phone in Berlin from South America, that he sent the order to scuttle the Graf Spee outside Montevideo harbour.

This dramatic episode does more than cast a tragic light on the subsequent suicide of the German pocket-battleship's commander. It suggests most significantly that the younger generation of post-1914-1918 Germans, who are the most hectic disciples of Nazi doctrine, are not at all what they have been cracked up to be. It is one thing to swagger about in swastikas, giving theatrical Heil Hitler salutes, or bullying elderly non-Aryans. It is quite another kettle of fish, however, when these young hooligans come up against real fighting.

Our gunners had, in fact, obviously knocked all the Nazi swank out of the Graf Spee's younger lower-deck hands, and these pseudo-heroes, after being prematurely feasted by their Montevideo compatriots, found themselves severely cold-shouldered by their recent entertainers.

#### Not As In 1914

Without seeking to make even hillocks out of molehills, it may be reasonably suggested that the Graf Spee crew can be taken as a fair sample of post-last-war German fighting morale. Those best able to judge, including by all accounts the German Higher Command itself, have all along held that the German Army of to-day bears no sort of comparison in efficiency, or morale with the pickelhaube legions who took the field in August

1914. What happened at Montevideo, moreover, strikingly confirms impartial criticism of the bearing and looks of those German divisions who took part in the Czech and Polish operations.

There was nothing ersatz about the Germany of 1914. It was probably the best organised national machine in existence. Yet that mighty German Army, with all its immense superiority of artillery and ammunition supplies, was held eventually, within a few weeks, and actually partly repulsed at the Marne, by a France that then possessed no impregnable Maginot fortifications, and had only the assistance of a highly trained but numerically inconsiderable British expeditionary force.

These facts, for facts they are, are certainly worth pondering when we come to consider the existing military situation. How far is the German military machine of to-day, with its Gestapo-riden divisions and battalions and its ersatz morale of calculated theatricalism, likely to sustain itself against any heavy blows on the embattled field is a really intriguing question?

#### Short of Officers

The Graf Spee officers apparently were right enough. It was the crew who wilted under ordeal. But we know that, when this war began, the German Army was short of sixty thousand trained and experienced officers.

No wonder the German Higher Command has not looked with any favour on adventures, not merely against the Maginot fortress line, but elsewhere in flanking operations. It has always been the

writer's firm belief that in a thorough-going military sense the German Army of to-day is probably just as gimerack an affair as the whole gospel of Mein Kampf gangsterism. It may be that time will show conclusively, and maybe rather sensationally, how far this opinion is a shrewd one.

The Goebbels theory that the German Army of the last war was never defeated in the field, and that it finally cracked under collapse of the home front after being stabbed in the back by non-Aryan traitors, is an audacious fabrication, worthy of its author, which will not stand the test of cast-iron facts.

#### The Day of Reckoning

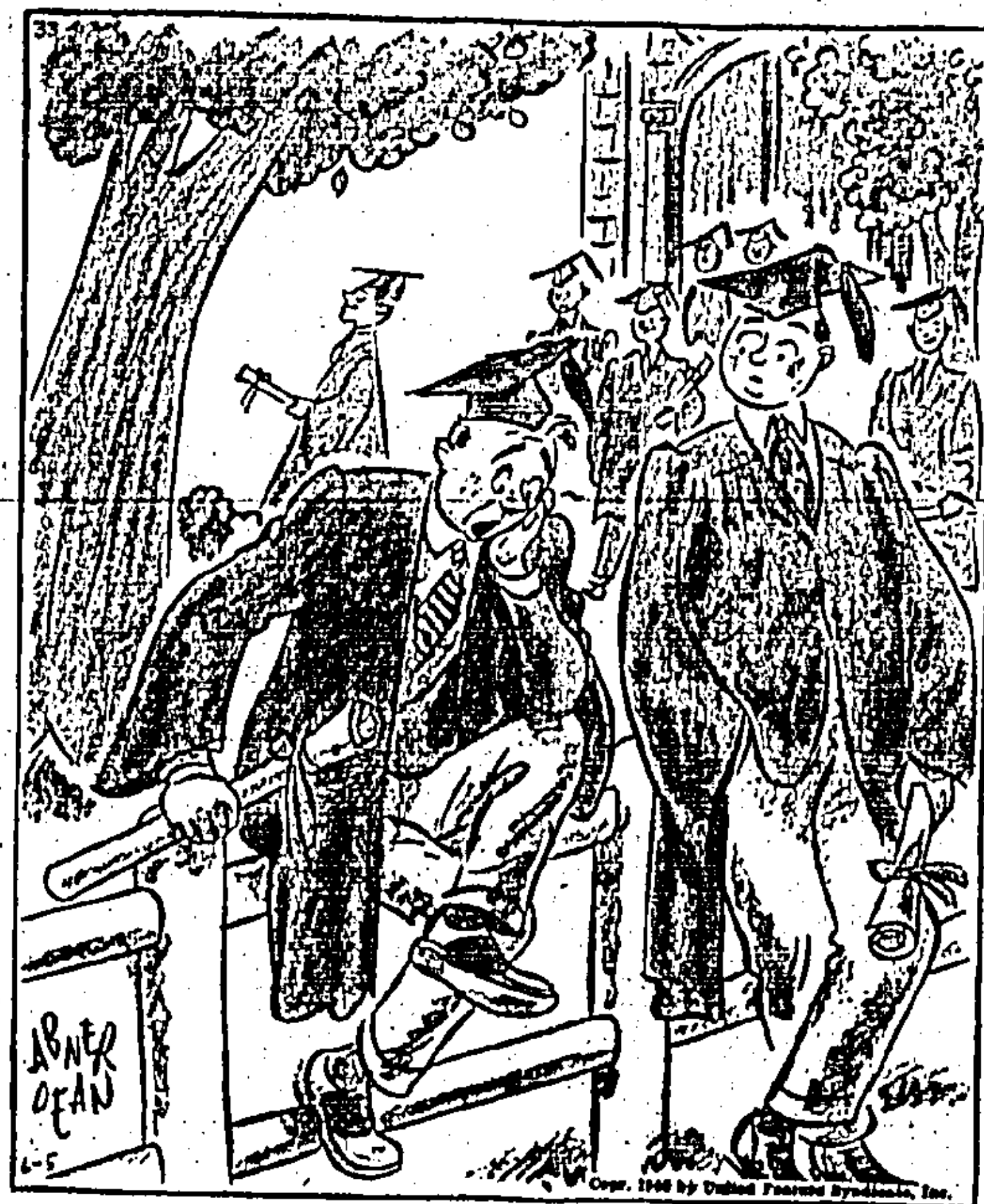
Long before the German home front had collapsed, the deterioration of its field-grey legions on the Western Front was palpable. The Hymn of Hate had given place to the Kamerad act. Within a few weeks of determined aggressive fighting—the Franco-British Armies had captured half a million German prisoners, immense numbers of guns and equipment of all sorts, and driven the German legions back scores of miles.

Bluff, artifice, make-believe, and bluster may be invaluable in diplomatic encounters. Certainly Hitler and his entourage have exploited these to the uttermost. But when it comes to real fighting, against determined and intelligent well-armed forces, we get right back to the morale of the Graf Spee fiasco.

The acid test, as the Shavian Caesar well phrased it, is when every man must take his life into his hand, and fling it in the face of Death. Only seasoned and hardbitten soldiers can stand up to that test, not boosting gangsters or youthful sadists.

#### FUNNY SIDE UP

By Abner Dean



"Wish I could remember what I was going to be when I grow up!"

## Scourge of Song Pirates

THE scene is a moonlit hotel garden overlooking the sea. The place is not too fashionable Italian hotel in a second-rate Italian resort. In an illuminated arbour a local band is playing an English tune while a crooner croons. By providing these entertainments free the enterprising hotel proprietor attracts large numbers of evening visitors to his wine gardens.

One morning the proprietor is startled and disgusted to receive a demand for fees from the Performing Right Society in respect for English songs and music performed on his premises. How did the Performing Right Society in London know about those performances in an Italian hotel garden?

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Their tunes and their words were used thousands of times in concert halls, dance halls, in restaurants; in fact, every place where music is played, without the proper fees being paid. But that has all been changed. To-day, even if the music is being broadcast to you on the high seas, you may be certain the people to whom that tune belongs are being paid the appropriate fee.

#### Victimisation Stopped

The victimisation of composers and others concerned with music has been stopped in an almost miraculous way by the activities of the Performing Right Society. When a dance band plays a request in a hotel in Africa, in course of time a note of the fact will be made in the files of the society, whose offices are in Hanover Square, London. Thus it is assured that composer, lyric writer, and publisher each gets his share of the fee which the dance band or, maybe, the hotel proprietor has paid for the right to play that particular number.

Amicable international understanding safeguards the interest of all music-makers; whatever their nationality.

The society makes no charges for entrance fees in the way of annual subscription. A percentage of the receipts is retained for expenses.

In the sixties of the last century, and indeed later, a vast amount of music was played in Britain and abroad without any payment. Payment was apt to be more the exception than the rule. For instance, a hotel-keeper or the organiser of the local dance band could play whatever tune he liked without the composer benefitting in any way, and he and his lyric-writer and publisher had to pretend that it was probably good publicity.

The Performing Right Society was instituted in 1914, and it is astonishing that at first it was not well supported. But when it began to produce results in the shape of hard cash, those who had doubted its effectiveness rushed to join.

To-day its influence extends to the ends of the earth, those responsible for the making of music are earning sums in proportion to the popularity of their work, and the former "pirates" are brought to heel.

The going has not always been perfectly smooth. Both in Britain and abroad constant attempts have been made to use music without payment, but it is a very rare thing

## WORLD WITHOUT BRITAIN

By Albert Vinton

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The British Empire has affected since the beginning of the eighteenth century the lives of more human beings than any other political structure ever erected; its influence has spread over territories more vast than that of any previous human organisation; for good or for evil, its tremendous power enabled it, during the past two or three centuries, to direct the course of world history with more authority than that exerted by any other State.

Until the last few years, certainly, Great Britain had the resources and influence to crush potential disturbers of world peace by diplomatic and economic weapons long before resort had to be had to arms. . . . If the Pax Britannica has been no more real than the Pax Romana in ancient times, the explanation does not lie in lack of potential power.

Yet even if unable or unwilling to assure permanent world peace, the British Empire has been powerful enough to prevent dozens of wars during the past century and a half. There is hardly a European or Asiatic State which has not been prevented by British disapproval or threats from grasping the sword.

To realize Britain's position in the contemporary world one need only consider what would happen if as a result of military defeat the British Empire ceased to exist tomorrow. A few minutes' reflection will show that the very foundations of Western civilisation would be shaken by such a cataclysm more profoundly than by any other event since the collapse of Rome. Not because the British Empire has been so invulnerable a civilising force; rather, civilisation would tremble because all the aggressive powers—as well as many states at present without aggressive foreign policies—would immediately rush to occupy the vacuum created by the disappearance of the British Empire. Navies, and air forces would be set in motion from one end of the world to the other.

The solemn fact is that collapse of the British Empire would serve as a signal for all the hungry Powers of the world to launch new and greater wars of aggression. It is a grave mistake to think that nothing more tragic would happen than the replacement of Britain by, say, Germany as the dominant Power in the world; that instead of a British Empire there would be a German Empire. The situation is not nearly so simple. Aside from the all-important fact that a German Empire would mean a fundamental cultural change, the repercussions of which would affect every section of the world, the tragic reality is that a victorious Germany would be unable to establish even a temporary settlement. A German victory would be followed not by peace, but by a new and more extended cycle of wars. Such a victory would release a new imperialist cycle of world wars and the suffering which that would entail. Britain, however, is a satiated empire, having long since reached the limits of her possible expansion; and a British victory would be followed not by new imperialist expansion, but by the beginning of the disintegration of the Empire.

Britain's defeat would be the signal for a general scramble between Germany, Russia, Japan, and Italy for parts of the Empire. For only does each have designs on certain territories; the hungry States are not in agreement among themselves as to the division of the spoils. Their conflicting claims are too fundamental to be resolved in any other way than by force. Their aggression, some handed over their safety into British hands voluntarily as a measure of economy; others were compelled by the British Empire to their selfish imperialistic reasons. The protection the British Empire has been able to give them until now has been no doubt effective; but, as a result, those States have come very close to complete disarmament.

Not could the three score and six States forming the British Empire defend their independence. In the century of its world preponderance Britain became the policeman for more than a quarter of the globe, and the members of the Empire came to depend on her for protection against foreign aggression. Some handed over their safety into British hands voluntarily as a measure of economy; others were compelled by the British Empire to their selfish imperialistic reasons. The protection the British Empire has been able to give them until now has been no doubt effective; but, as a result, those States have come very close to complete disarmament.

It is inconceivable that such world-shaking convulsions would not leave their imprint on every person in the Americas. International problems would confront us; even more pressing would be the new political problems which we would not have to fight for Canada; it would come as its knees begging for protection or incorporation into the Union. The British possessions in the southern part of the continent would also fall under our wings. The protection would doubtless force the United States to establish effective domination over the whole Western Hemisphere and adjacent islands.

But can anyone imagine that we would tolerate the domination of the Americas by Germany, Japan, Australia, and New Zealand, which would give it complete control of the Pacific? Even if sacrifice of our vital interests on other continents kept us out during the first stages of the scramble, the day when one of the world's great empires would be crushed by the combined forces of the new Napoleon would be a day of the past of world history. To-day, when the lives of millions of men are in the balance, it is a false step to think of the future. The first thing to do is to think of the present. For the first time in history, peace is a term which no longer has the same meaning. It is no longer a mere cessation of hostilities; it is a new era of peace. The political structure hold greater in terms to humanity than those in the British Empire.

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## WAR IN THE DESERT BATTLE IN KENYA

### Italians Routed In Big Engagement

LONDON, July 4 (Reuter).—Details of a battle between British and Italian troops near Moyale (in Kenya on the Abyssinian border) were available in London to-day.

A British outpost was held by one company of men. A much larger force of Italians crossed the frontier suddenly and attacked the outpost from the rear.

**Enemy Driven Out**  
British reinforcements were sent immediately and launched a counter-attack in co-operation with bombers of the Royal Air Force and the South African Air Force.

An R.A.F. communiqué says that South African Air Force bombers made direct hits on gun emplacements and blew up an ammunition dump. The land force drove the Italians out of British territory, restored the outpost and destroyed four Italian guns.

**Enemy Assaults Repulsed**  
CAIRO, July 4 (Reuter).—British war correspondents issued to-day stated: "In the western desert the enemy advanced yesterday against Sollum but subsequently withdrew. On the Kenya front on Tuesday, supported by artillery and aircraft, the enemy made three unsuccessful assaults on Moyale. Our casualties were slight. On other points there is nothing to report."

## Home Defence Now Well Established

LONDON, July 4 (Reuter).—At question time in the House of Commons to-day, Mr. Winston Churchill rejected a suggestion that the Commander-in-Chief be appointed to co-ordinate the defence of Britain.

The whole organisation of home defence, he said, has been worked out by the combined staffs of the three fighting services and the Government believed that the present scheme gave the Commander-in-Chief of Home Defence the necessary control in both the military and civil spheres.

It would be the greatest mistake at this moment to remould an organisation working to the satisfaction of the principal executives concerned. He had not heard any practical suggestion as to who the super-Commander-in-Chief should be.

## NEW RUMANIAN GOVERNMENT

BUCHAREST, July 4 (Reuter).—M. Ion Gurgiut has formed a new national government, strongly anti-Semitic and pro-German in character.

Several of the new ministers were in the Goga anti-Jewish Cabinet of 1938. Others are members of the Iron Guard.

It is stated that the Rumanian Government adheres to the policy of neutrality, but will intensify Rumania's relations with the Axis Powers.

This communiqué was issued after the first meeting of the new Cabinet to-night says the Swiss-Radio.

**Cabinet Personnel**  
BUCHAREST, July 4 (Reuter).—M. Gurgiut, the new Prime Minister, has formed a new National Government strongly anti-Semitic and pro-German in character.

Several of the new ministers were in the Goga anti-Jewish Cabinet of 1938, and several of the Iron Guard members are also included.

A provisional list includes, Vice-Premier, General Ionescu; Minister for the Interior, General Popovici; Minister of Finance, M. Eugene Savu; Minister for Foreign Affairs, M. Milati Monulescu, as Iron Guardist who recently arrived from Germany.

## EVACUEES TOAST "BOTTOMS UP"

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ing them of their children and patiently answering a thousand childish and unnecessary questions while mothers soberly attended to the requirements of the occasion.

Next they were marshalled to the premises of Chiffon Milliners where no longer silk and satin but bills of clean health were being dispensed.

Into this chamber one father carried his grown crippled son while another child followed with the boy's crutches. All were very cheerful.

The last stage in the Gloucester process was the assembling of parties in the downstairs lounge.

**Well Organised**  
Before 11 a.m. buses moved off from the Hongkong stations, carrying evacuees assembled in parties of 25.

At the Star Ferry, one side of the entrance vestibule was roped for the reception.

To facilitate their transport, the ferry company has arranged a full day's five-minute service.

As parties of the evacuees arrived they are marched on to the ferries and kept in the after cabin, the remainder of the ferry to be open to the public. No contact with the evacuees is permitted.

On Kowloon side the evacuees are being marched directly from the ferry to the ship.

Husbands and relatives waiting on the wharf are being given a few minutes to say good-bye to their loved ones. Once the wives have boarded the ship, they are not permitted to return to the wharf.

While the organisation throughout is excellent and the unselfish assistance given by the volunteer officials beyond praise, there is room for some regret that no seating space was not made available for the evacuees attending the Hongkong Hotel.

Their own willingness to co-operate caused them undeserved inconvenience as the seating accommodation of the foyer is absolutely inadequate, and many of the women and children later found that they had to stand, crowded, while they waited to receive their identification. Nevertheless they were, as one of the nurses in attendance remarked, "wonderfully good."

In this connection a special tribute must be paid to the Peninsula Hotel attendants. The arrival of the evacuees succeeded so admirably that the attendants were free to begin dealing with the 11 a.m. arrivals by 10.55 a.m.

## THE WAR FUND Additional \$50,000 Sent To Home Government

**TWO LARGE DONATIONS**  
Among yesterday's donations to the War Fund organised by the South China Morning Post, Ltd., were cheques for \$10,000 from Imperial Chemical Industries (China) Ltd., and \$50,000 from the Hongkong Club.

The total donated to-date is \$1,230,241.84 plus \$2,753, 15s. 6d.

A further remittance of HK\$50,000 was sent to the British Government yesterday. This amount realised £3,118.9.10d., bringing the total sum remitted to date to £77,962. 4s. 10d.

The following is the latest list of contributors:

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Sun's Dairy 500  
Messrs. Stanley 40.05  
D. J. Bonquet 75  
Some Members of the Hong Kong Cricket Club 25s.

## Exchange At A Glance

### SELLING

T.T. London ..... 1/2 3/4  
Demand London ..... 1/2 3/4  
T.T. Shanghai ..... 370  
T.T. Singapore ..... 52 3/4  
T.T. Japan ..... 98 3/4  
T.T. India ..... 22 3/4  
T.T. U.S.A. ..... 46 3/4  
T.T. Manila ..... 43 3/4  
T.T. Batavia ..... 140 3/4  
T.T. Bangkok ..... 140 3/4  
T.T. Saigon ..... Nom.  
T.T. France ..... Nom.  
T.T. Switzerland ..... 101  
T.T. Australia ..... 1/0 1/2

### BUYING

4 m/s L/C London ..... 1/3 3/4  
4 m/s D/P London ..... 1/3 3/4  
4 m/s L/C U.S.A. ..... 24 3/4  
4 m/s France ..... 84 3/4  
30 d/s India ..... 22 3/4  
U.S. Cross rate in London 4.02 1/2  
U.S. Cross rate in N.Y. .... 3.62

## Europe Peppered With Bombs

### R.A.F. Supremacy Mounting

LONDON, July 4 (Reuter).—More large scale night and day bombing raids by the R.A.F. on the continent are announced.

An Air Ministry communiqué states: "During yesterday R.A.F. bombers carried out daylight attacks on enemy oil plants, lines of communication and storage depots."

"Concentrations of barges near Rotterdam and Schoonhoven were bombed. Aerodromes of Evers in Belgium and Ypenburg in Holland were also attacked and troop-carrying and other aircraft set on fire. Others were damaged. All our aircraft returned safely."

**Aerodromes Attacked**  
"During the night, in spite of unfavourable weather conditions, aerodromes at Sachet in Germany, Dekoy, in Holland, and Melville, in France, were attacked.

"One of our aircraft is missing. German High Command communiqué claims that 75 British aircraft had been destroyed between June 23 and July 4. Actually a total of 30 of our aircraft had been lost by enemy action during this period.

"On the other hand the enemy admits the loss of only 12 aircraft, whereas the R.A.F., in fact, has destroyed 40."

**Raids On Britain**  
LONDON, July 4 (Reuter).—The Admiralty, Air Ministry and Ministry of Home Security, in a communiqué issued to-night, state:

"Enemy aircraft to-day approached the Channel Coast. At Portland, a naval auxiliary vessel was hit and set on fire. One small tug and lighter were sunk. Some damage was caused to buildings and there were a few civilian casualties.

"Another raid penetrated into the south-western counties. Bombs were dropped but no military objectives were hit. No casualties were reported.

"Anti-aircraft guns opened fire and fighters were in action at several points.

"Reports hitherto received show that one enemy bomber was brought down by our fighter patrols.

"It is now confirmed that seven enemy bombers were shot down, in raids over this country yesterday."

**Bombing Shot Down**  
LONDON, July 4 (Reuter).—A German bomber to-day was brought down by anti-aircraft fire in south-western England.

Three of the crew were killed and two others came down by parachute. These two are reported to be captured.

## FANTASTIC SEQUEL

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said that one French battleship was sunk and another badly damaged. In addition two destroyers and an aircraft-carrier were either sunk or set on fire.

One battle-cruiser, although hit by a torpedo escaped and was joined by other French vessels which reached Toulon.

Mr. Churchill paid tribute to the courage of the French warships at Oran, which, he said, was characteristic.

He added that the loss of life must have been heavy, as the British were compelled to use most severe measures, and immense explosions were observed.

**Italian Fleet Skulks**  
No serious damage had been caused to British warships, said the Premier, while the Italian Fleet "prudently kept out of the way."

Mr. Churchill stressed that Britain had secured, or had defeated a large portion of the French fleet, while they had done their utmost to prevent the Germans from obtaining French ships at sea.

"We shall take the necessary steps to maintain command of the Mediterranean."

"The very grave and drastic action we have been compelled to take, should dispel all rumours of British intentions to negotiate peace. We shall, on the contrary, prosecute the war with the utmost vigour."

**Churchill's Tears**  
Mr. Churchill concluded his speech with tears in his eyes, and a bent head and flushed face.

Members of Parliament all rose and cheered wildly, even the galleries joining in.

Shortly afterwards, the House went into secret session.

**Awaiting Petain's Decision**  
LONDON, July 4 (Reuter).—Commenting on France's proposed Governmental changes, semi-official circles in London quote the description applied to Marshal Petain by the German official news agency which calls him the "Fuehrer of the French Government."

The newspaper, "Parisien," to-day said that the French nation, confident, disciplined and resolute, waits the decision Marshal Petain is about to make.

Other newspaper re-echo this view.

It should be remembered, however, that censorship has played a big part in France since early June. At one time France had only one paper, issued and controlled by the Government.

Now, although many further French papers have resumed circulation there are signs that the hand of the censor has not been lifted appreciably.

**Outwardly Calm**  
ALEXANDRIA, July 4 (Reuter).—No information regarding the future of the French fleet in Alexandria has been made public yet.

Meanwhile the combined British and French fleets remain in the harbour, outwardly calm.

**Washington Reaction**  
WASHINGTON, July 4 (Reuter).—The British action regarding the French Fleet is regarded here as regrettable but necessary.

It has been considered axiomatic in American naval circles that the British could never allow the French Fleet to fall into German hands.

The British Government would undoubtedly have been criticised if it had not taken the necessary steps.

It was felt that the combined French, Italian and German navies might have proved a real threat to British seapower. It is now thoroughly realised that they would be a threat also to American security.

## WOMAN RECOVERS \$20,500

### Brilliant Work By Police

The Chinese woman who had her savings of \$20,500 stolen from her this week has now recovered the money intact, thanks to the diligent work of the police.

The Police worked on the case up to the early hours of this morning when they succeeded in tracing the money to Apichau.

The story was revealed in the Kowloon police court this morning when Wong Wal-nok, a private body guard was charged with stealing the money from Lal Mal, of 12 Suffolk Road.

**Found Intact**  
It was stated that the woman took the money home with her and that Wong knew she had got it. He obtained the key to the drawer and took the money, getting it out of the house and passing it over to his uncle's keeping in Apichau.

Police early this morning found the \$20,500 intact lying on a shelf in the house.

Wong said to the Magistrate that he acted on impulse, and he was sentenced to four months hard labour.

## H.K. Stock Market

The following quotations were issued on the Hongkong Stock Market this morning.

**BANKS**  
H.K. Banks (Lon. Reg.) ..... 1,000 b.  
H.K. Banks (H.K. Reg.) ..... 63 n.  
H.K. Banks (H.K. Reg.) ..... 65 n.  
Chartered Bank ..... 5 1/2 n.  
Mercantile, A. & B. ..... 28 1/2 n.  
Mercantile, C. & ..... 11 1/2 n.  
East Asia ..... 73 n.

**INSURANCES**  
Canton ..... 218 n.  
Union ..... 315 s.  
China Underwriters ..... 50 cts. n.  
H.K. Fire ..... 100 n.

**SHIPPING**  
Douglases ..... 120 n.  
Steamships ..... 11 n.  
Indo-China P. & S. ..... 100 n.  
Indo-China D.S. ..... 80 n.  
Shell (Bearers) ..... 36 3/4 n.  
Waterboats ..... 0.00 n.

**DOCKS ETC.**  
Wharves ..... 05 n.  
Docks (old) ..... 15 1/2 n.  
Docks (new) ..... 15 1/2 n.  
Providents ..... 3 1/2 n.  
Sh. Docks Sh. ..... 23 n.

**MINING**  
Kailan ..... 15 1/8 n.  
Raub ..... 9.50 n.  
I.K. Mines ..... 6cts. n.

**LANDS**  
Hotels ..... 3 b.  
Lands ..... 20 1/2 n.  
Lands 4% Debentures ..... 100 n.  
Shai Lands Sh. ..... 0.70 n.  
Hampshire ..... 8 n.  
H.K. Realities ..... 3 1/4 n.  
Chineso Estates ..... 104 1/4 n.

**UTILITIES**  
Trams ..... 14 b.  
Peak Trams (old) ..... 7.40 n.  
Peak Trams (new) ..... 3.70 n.  
Star Ferries ..... 60 n.  
Y. Ferries ..... 22 n.  
China Lights (old) ..... 5.00 sa.  
China Lights (new) ..... 3 n.  
H.K. Electric (old) ..... 37 s.  
H.K. Electric (new) ..... 35 1/2 n.  
Macao Electric (old) ..... 18 n.  
Macao Electric (new) ..... 11 1/4 n.  
Sandakan Light ..... 19 b.  
Telephones (old) ..... 8 n.  
Telephones (new) ..... 8 n.

**INDUSTRIALS**  
Cald. Macg. (Ord.) Sh. ..... 14.90 n.  
Cald. Macg. (Pref.) Sh. ..... 12 n.  
Canton Ice ..... 13.10 b. & sa.  
H.K. Road ..... 4 1/4 n.

**STORES, &c.**  
Dairy Farms ..... 17 sa.  
Watsons ..... 7.40 b.  
Lane Crawfords ..... 7.45 n.  
Sinceres ..... 2.60 n.  
Wing On (H.K.) ..... 9.0 n.  
Powell Ltd. ..... 1 n.

**COTTON MILLS**  
Ewo Sh. ..... 20 n.  
Shai Cotton Sh. ..... 210 n.

**MISC.**  
H.K. Govt. 4% Loan ..... 102 sa.  
H.K. Govt. 3 1/2 % Loan (x. Int.) 95 n.  
Ch. Govt. 5 1/2 % 1928 G.S.B. 43 1/2 n.  
H.K. Government ..... 6.00 n.  
Constructions (old) ..... 1 1/4 n.  
Constructions (new) ..... 1 n.  
Vibro Piling ..... 8 n.  
Marsmans Inv. (Lon.) ..... 8/9 n.  
Marsmans Inv. (H.K.) ..... 4/ n.

## MOVING TO PEACE

### Spain And Sweden Said Go-Betweens

Official quarters continue to be preoccupied with talks as rumours multiply, but it is known that the Germans are using unofficial Spaniards and Swedes to sound British regarding peace prospects.

Goering's Swedish brother-in-law, Count Roscn, is mentioned as a middleman. Lines emanating from Berlin are conveyed through unofficial channels in a manner which is always left open to repudiation.

Government officials are convinced that Hitler will soon unleash his blitzkrieg against Britain. They express doubt that the Fuehrer is inclined to call off the war with the British Empire and Navy intact. At the same time Mr. Winston Churchill is determined to continue the struggle.

**Franco Mediating?**  
New York, July 3. Although the rumours of Anglo-German peace proposals have been categorically denied by Mr. Neville Chamberlain, Lord President of the Council, the New York Times says that from Stockholm that well-informed circles there state that General Franco of Spain is now mediating for peace between Great Britain and Germany.

It is suggested that Spain is now sounding out the attitude of the two countries in London and Berlin.

The same paper further reports that the current exchange of bitter broadsides between the two countries regarding the German attack on the British Isles is merely a sort of smoke screen for the impending peace negotiations.—Domeh

## EVACUATION FROM BELFAST

LONDON, July 4 (Reuter).—The evacuation of school-children from Belfast will begin on Sunday when about 15,000 to 20,000 registered children are to be moved from the city.

Unregistered children will be evacuated from vulnerable areas next Monday.

This decision is taken by Northern Ireland's Ministry of Public Security.

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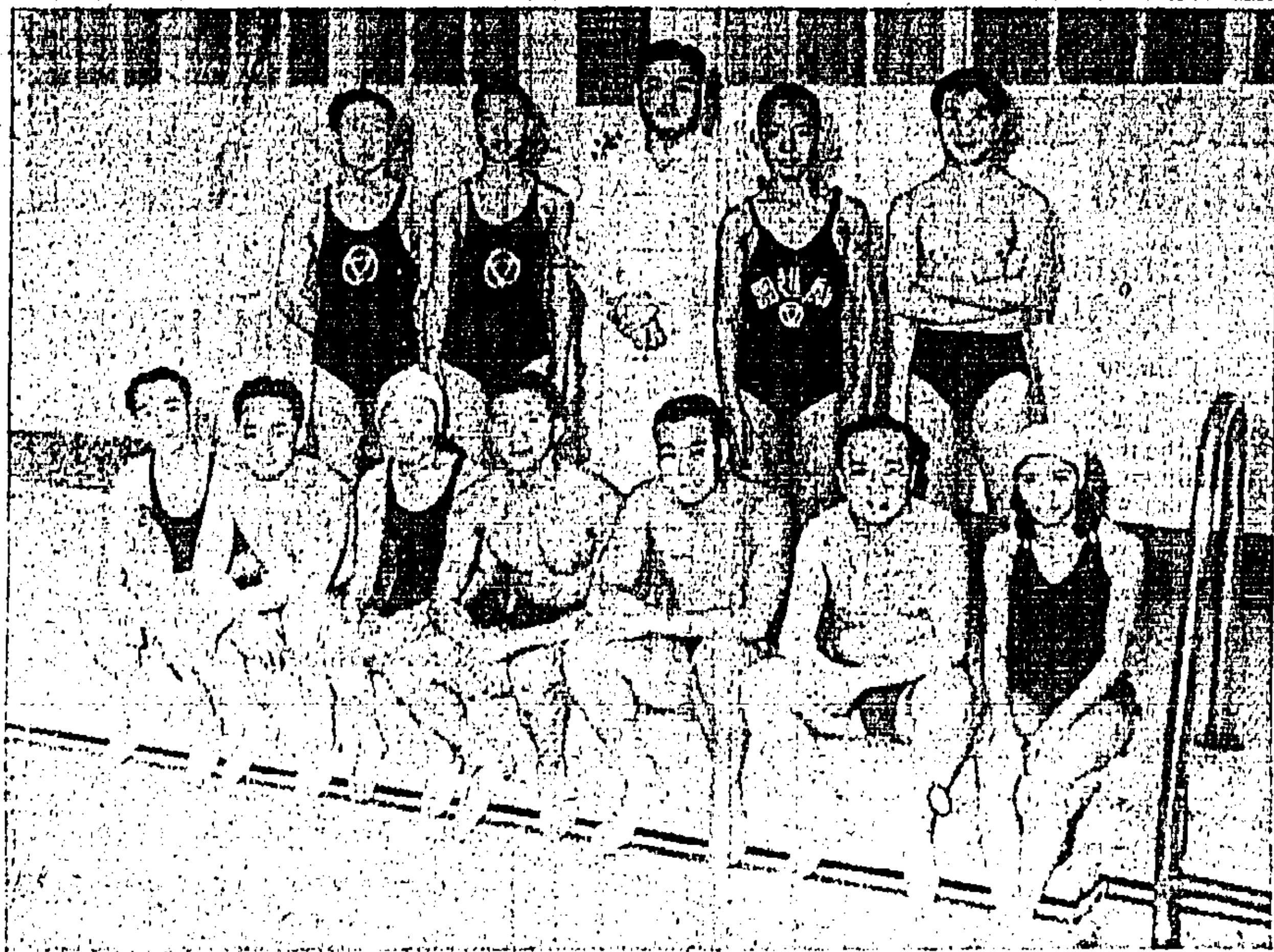
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The Lai Tsun Union swimming team, whose medley relay team is as yet undefeated this season. Standing at the back in the white coat is Chan Chun-nam, cross-harbour champion, with Yau Sai-kwan and Lau Tai-ping second and third respectively on either side. S. H. Wong, the coach, is seated second from the right.—Ming Yuen.

## LEAGUE BASKETBALL

### Chinese "Y" Defeat Kwong Tai U. In Thrilling Last Minute Rally

(By "GUARD")

HERO OF THE HOUR on Wednesday was Luk Tut-cheung of Chinese "Y" when, in the last split second before full time he repeated his performance when playing against Pui Ying by sinking a basket from well out to give Chinese "Y" victory over Kwong Tai University in the tightest cage league game this season 36-35.

In the other senior game Combined Banks gained their first victory of the season when they humbled a Wah Kiu quintette 43-34, in a match in which they were not visited with the usual "bad joss" that seems to have been following them around.

From the bell Kwong Tai played the "zone" defence, but their passings were faster and more thought-out than "Y's". Chan King-cher of "Y" gave his team the lead when he was successful with a foul shot, but this lead was only short-lived as Chan Siu-luk sank a basket to give Kwong Tai the lead again.

Luk Tut-cheung of "Y" was doing great things as guard, and was easily

### HIGH JUMPER JOINS R.A.F.

London, June 28. Stanley West, the Olympic high jumper and Great Britain's best exponent for years, is in the Royal Air Force as a physical training instructor.

For some time West, who is a travelling salesman, has had little opportunity for training, but he hopes to get plenty of time to get fit and enable him to better his best jump of 6 ft. 3 in.—Reuter.

the best player on the court, while Wong Wai-hung did excellent work sinking baskets from Luk's efforts. Kwong Tai's Chan Siu-luk and Lee Chan-sing were the only players who were really dangerous.

When half time had reached Kwong Tai was in the lead 22-20 due to a nice basket by Lo Tung.

STEAM-ROLLER OFFENSIVE FROM the resumption Kwong Tai went further ahead in a steamroller offence that "Y" failed to stop. Ng Siu-chiu scoring from a difficult position a lovely one-handed shot 24-20. "Y" made a great effort and mainly due to Luk were they able to somewhat check Kwong Tai, but Chan Siu-luk managed another basket, 26-20.

Au Chi-keung, who was included earlier on, suddenly struck a good pitch and proceeded to give us good account of himself as Luk, and the two of them managed to hold the Tains while first Au, from field goal, then Wong Wai-hung brought them up to two points arrears.

The game continued at its fast pace, but the "Y" players found the man-to-man defence a trying effort and were showing signs of flagging, while the Tains appeared the fresher team. Kwong Tai, mainly due to Lo Tung, who was playing a grand game with Chan Siu-luk, again gained a six-points lead, 32-26, over the "Y". Au and Wong of "Y" made great efforts and their team once more were two points behind at 33-31.

### A DEAD-LOCK

A DEAD-LOCK seemed to have settled as neither side seemed capable of taking the ball past the other's guard. Luk Tut-cheung dwarfed his earlier half play by performing like two men himself.

"Y's" forwards made the most of Wong Wai-hung, their centre. Leung Kong-keung, Tain guard, vied with Luk for honours in their respective positions, and was not far behind. Throughout the game he had not been displaced, and performed just as well as at the beginning.

"Y" made a gallant attempt, drew level and then passed the Tains' score at 34-33 in a mad scramble. With four minutes to go, Lo Tung, sank a lovely field goal to give his side the lead at 35-34. Like true sportsmen, they gave the "Y" an even chance of getting the game and refused to "freeze" them despite the encouragement of their supporters.

### THE FINAL GOAL

"Y" profited by their sportsman-ship when Luk intercepted a pass intended for Lo Tung to try blindly, and just as the ball was tinkling the ball was sailing along and sank through its clean as a whistle to give "Y" victory 36-35 after a splendid game.

### The Scores

FIRST DIVISION		
Combined Banks	43	Wah Kiu 34
Chinese "Y"	36	Kwong Tai 35
SECOND DIVISION		
Press	48	Cheng Pak 38

## Thrilling Moments Of Cup Semi-finals

### Blackburn Eliminate Newcastle 1-0

JUNE 1 was a beautiful day for the Cup Semi-finals. The 14,238 people at Blackburn saw a very quiet game. No bells or rattles—none of the usual cup-tide settling, except perhaps in that final swelling cheer as the whistle went, and Blackburn Rovers trooped off the field with a one-goal margin of victory over Newcastle United.

There was just a second-half spell of ten minutes or so that took one back to old times—to that semi-final drama at Old Trafford, Manchester, last season, when Grimby's full-back had to don the injured goalkeeper's jersey against the Wolves.

At Blackburn the Newcastle goalkeeper Swinburne twisted an ankle in making a save from Clarke after 75 minutes, and Woodburn was his deputy for five minutes.

### DEFENSIVE BLUNDER

BUT before that—19 minutes after half time—Swinburne had figured in the big dramatic moment of the match as he stood helplessly watching a header from Clarke flash past him.

The goalkeeper was unsighted as Butt's centre came across, and as Clarke met it with his head Swinburne, it seems, thought Craig had it covered. A defensive blunder—how often has that summed up a Cup defeat!

Woodburn later made a few heart-in-your-mouth saves as deputy goalkeeper until Swinburne returned from his brief rest. Then Cairns shot across the Rovers' goal-mouth in the last minute to bring visions—but visions only—of extra time.

It was the finish. So Blackburn Rovers deserved to reach the final because of a scoring chance that was snapped up and a general level of team play that was better than Newcastle's.

### DODGERS HUMBLE GIANTS

NEW YORK, July 4 (UP).—Brooklyn Dodgers humbled the New York Giants to-day 5-1, maintaining their lead in the National Baseball League. The complete scores were:

NATIONAL LEAGUE			
	R.	H.	E.
Brooklyn	5	10	1
Batteries: Davis, Phelps.			
New York	1	7	1
Batteries: Lohrman, Joiner, Dan-nings.			
Boston	3	8	2
Batteries: Salvo, Berres.			
Philadelphia	4	6	0
Batteries: Blanton, Atwood.			
AMERICAN LEAGUE			
New York	12	11	0
Batteries: Chandler, Dickey.			
Boston	4	10	0
Batteries: Wilson, Ostermuller, Peacock.			

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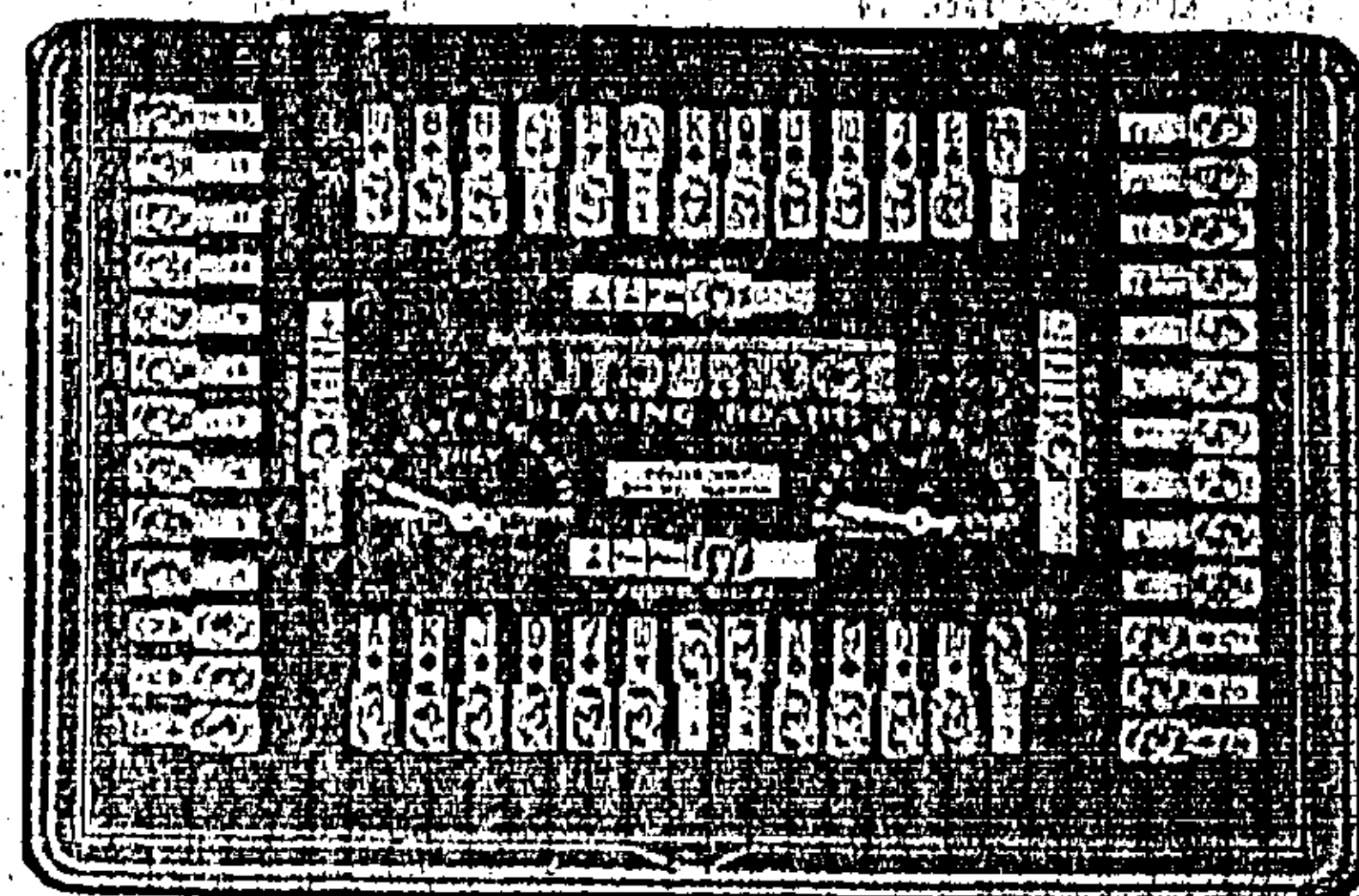
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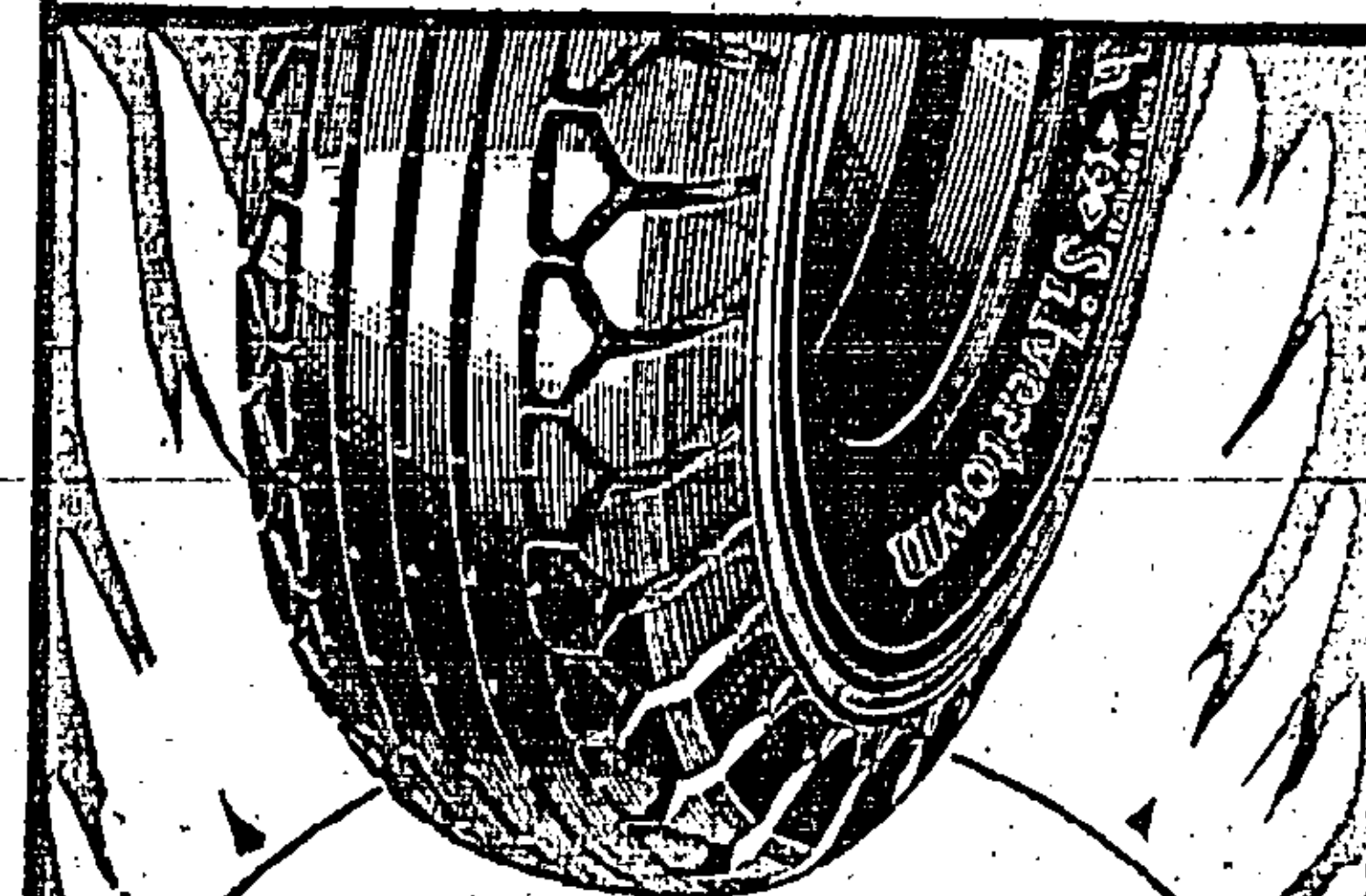
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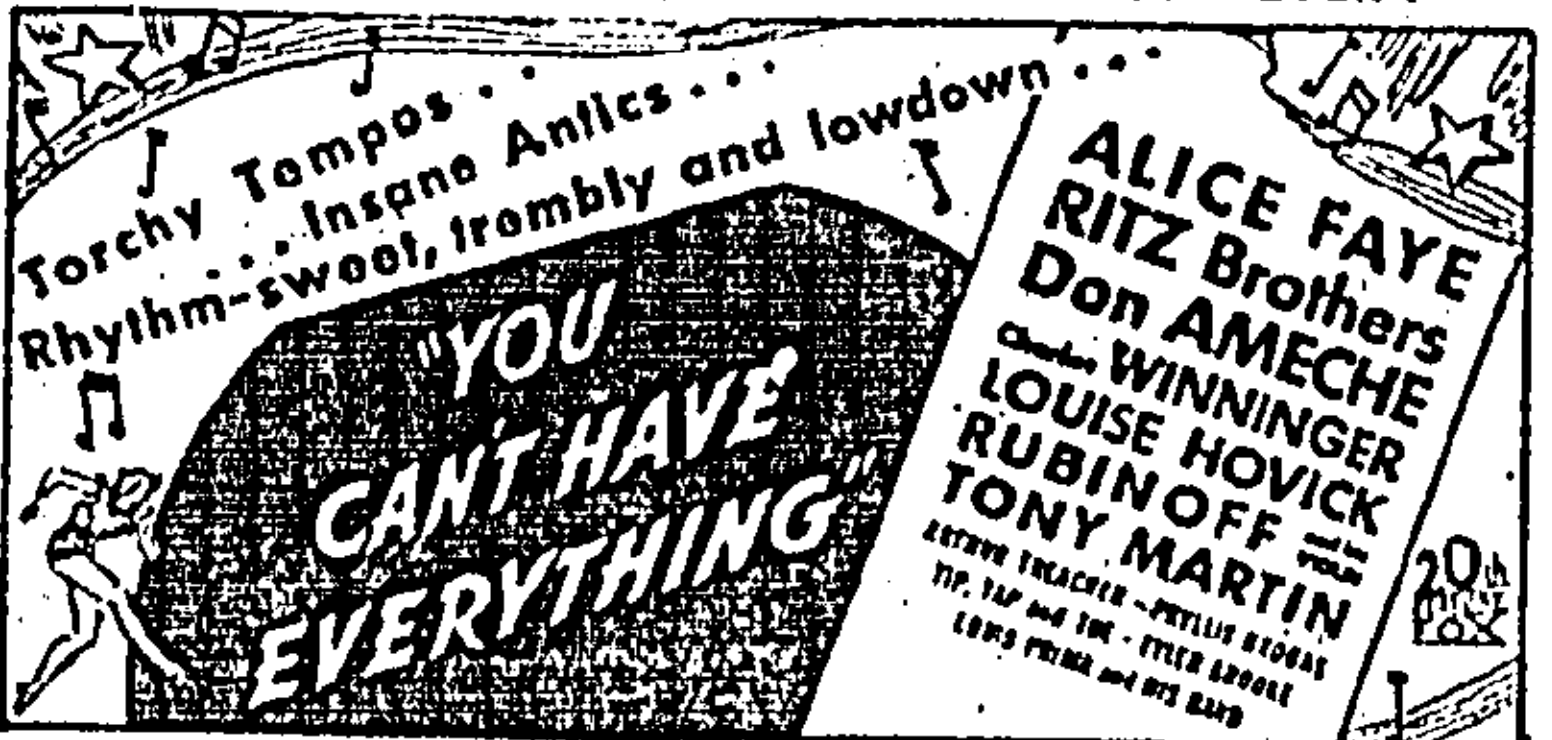
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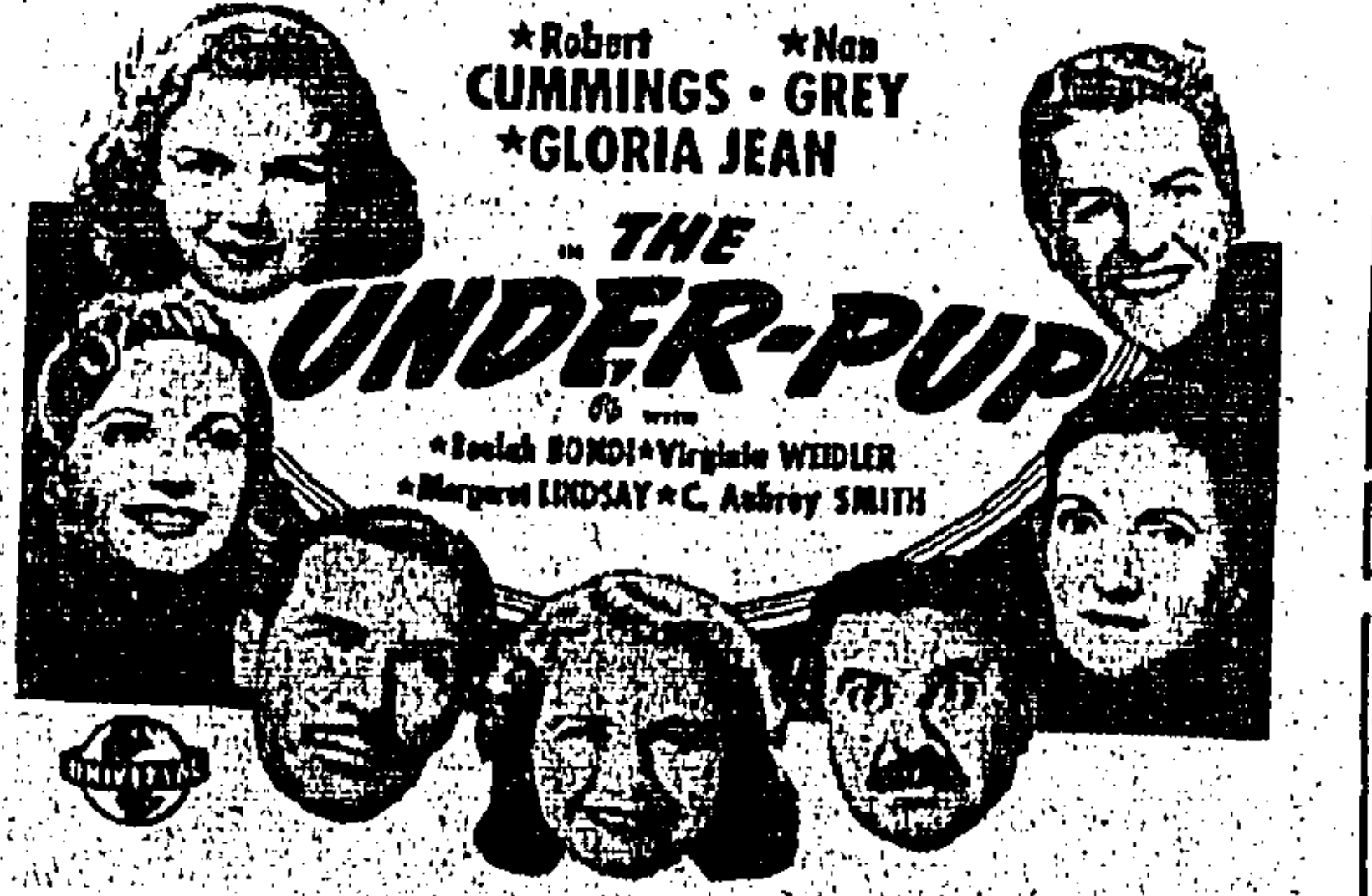
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## This ARP Wife Says Husbands Should Put Up With Inconvenience

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She summoned her husband, James Blackett, of Milton-road, Hanwell, at Ealing recently, asking for a maintenance order, alleging desertion and persistent cruelty.

She lost her case, the chairman saying:—"The difference between the parties is whether the wife should continue to remain as a paid A.R.P. worker or give whole time to her domestic duties. The wife refuses to give up the work and the husband is justified in his objection."

### Every Wife—

But Mrs. Blackett said this to the "Daily Herald":—"A husband should be prepared to put up with a little inconvenience when a war is on. Every wife with fewer than five children should be doing some share in A.R.P. work."

"I have three, and while I put my duty to my husband and my home before everything else, until war began, I have felt it my duty since September to do full time A.R.P. work, even if my husband objects."

"My post is only round the corner, and whenever my husband wanted me to be at home I could always manage it, because I was post warden and arranged my rota."

### Joining Waifs

"My husband never came home to an empty house or a cold room during the winter. I used to fit in my A.R.P. times with his work. It is only since we parted that I have done night shifts."

"Even while doing full time I have not fallen down in my job as wife or mother."

"Now I have filled in my resignation form from the A.R.P. service and to-night I am posting off my application to join the Women's Auxiliary Air Force as a cook."

### NO CELEBRATIONS

The usual reception at the American Club and other parties to celebrate July 4 were cancelled by the American community yesterday owing to the world crisis. The money which would have been spent will be donated to the British War Organisation Fund. It is understood that the fund will benefit to the extent of over \$2,000.

## Trainees To Get Free Fares

TWO developments for increasing the labour supply to war industries were announced by the Ministry of Labour recently.

Free outward fares will now be granted by the Ministry, to unemployed who wish to travel more than five miles to train for work in engineering, shipbuilding, agriculture or forestry.

Employers willing to offer training should notify the Ministry's nearest office.

They should state the occupation in which training will be given, wages during training, estimated length of training, the type of job on which the worker will be subsequently employed, and whether a man, woman or juvenile is required.

The Ministry's other scheme is to speed up the engineering courses in the Government training centres. The standard course has been one of six months, but even in peacetime men have usually been released in 20 weeks after passing certain tests. Course will now be confined to the absolute essentials of wartime needs, reducing the training period still further.

### UNIVERSITY CALENDAR

A copy has been received of the Calendar of the University of Hongkong for 1940-41. This sets out in some detail the statutes, general regulations, terms and fees, regulations and syllabuses of the different Faculties, scholarship facilities, and so forth. Full lists of officers, Court, Council, Senate, and staff, and a list of graduates, since the first conferment of degrees, are also given.

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ABOUT 1,000,000 farmers, farm labourers, and heavy workers on the land, may shortly receive a larger meat ration.

If it is granted, there will be renewed demands from the mining and other heavy manual industries for supplementary meat rations.

Only 70 per cent. of the nation's meat ration is being consumed just now. Price is the limiting factor.

Despite the Food Ministry's admission that eggs will be scarce in the coming autumn and winter, following the loss of Danish supplies and curtailed imports of feeding-stuffs, the Ministry holds out little hope to British poultry-keepers.

"The Government sticks to its policy that priority in supplies of imported feeding stuffs must go to milk cows, sheep and fat stock and pigs before poultry," said a Ministry official.

## LATE NEWS

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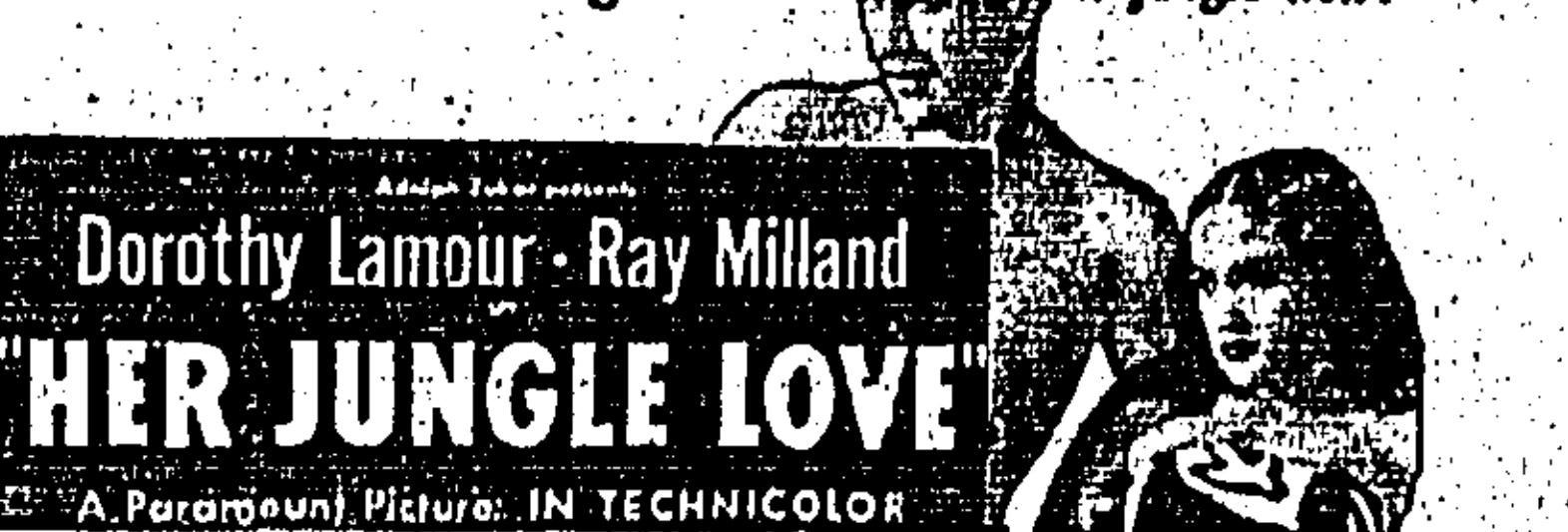


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## Dramatic British Action Against French Fleet Units In Mediterranean SECOND NAVAL BATTLE REPORTED IN PROGRESS AT CASABLANCA

### Italians Rushing to Scene, Report

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"  
According to an urgent message from the Geneva correspondent of "Domel" a second battle between British and French naval units is now raging in Casablanca harbour.

It is reported that upon receipt of news, Italian warships rushed towards Oran, apparently with the idea of assisting the French vessels.

Oran, however, is about 600 miles from Casablanca. Casablanca is a sea port on the north-west coast of French Morocco, and is on the west of Gibraltar. If the Italian units, therefore, intend to attempt to aid the French now engaged in the Casablanca battle, they must run the gauntlet of the Gibraltar defences—a risk which it is unlikely they will run.

**Italian Fleet May Act**  
SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"  
Rome, July 4 (UP).—The official Italian spokesman to-day refused to confirm or deny reports from abroad alleging that the Italian fleet is going full speed to the aid of the French fleet.

This spokesman declares that such information was "a military secret."

**British Losses**  
SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"  
LONDON, July 4 (UP).—British losses in the great naval battle with the French fleet off Oran were:

One officer and one seaman wounded.

The crew of one seaplane missing.

This was revealed by the First Lord of the Admiralty, Mr. A. V. Alexander, in a broadcast from London this evening.

He said he had received the most solemn assurances that no armistice would be signed under which the French fleet would be handed over to Germany.

"But the published terms of the armistice made it clear that there is no other safeguard except the word of the leading aggressor and his henchmen," declared Mr. Alexander.

**Taking Refuge**  
SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"  
SAN JOSE, C.R., July 4 (UP).—The French merchant vessel Oran took refuge in the harbour at Punta Arenas this afternoon, and another French ship, the Anguena is also reported to be approaching the harbour.

**French Order**  
SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"  
NEW YORK, July 4 (UP).—A German radio report has been intercepted here stating that France has ordered that any British ships or planes reaching within 12½ miles of French territory must be "attacked at once."

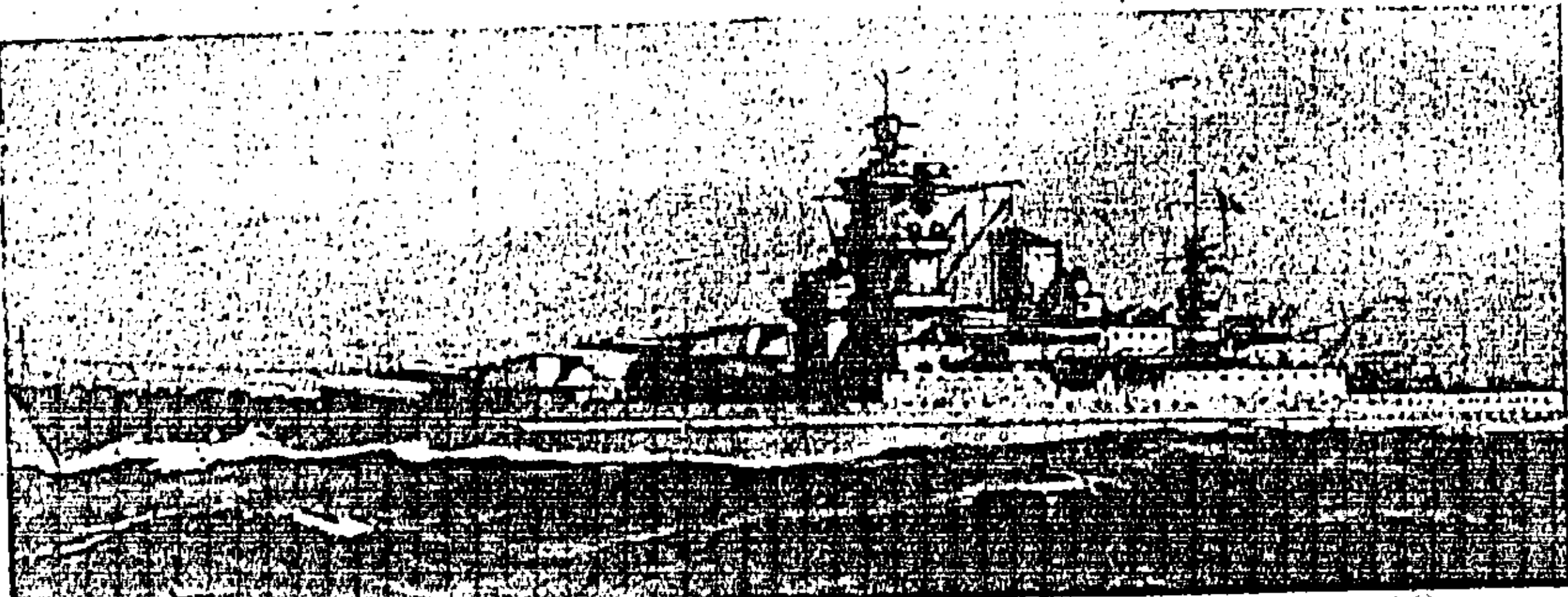
This report quoted an official Italian dispatch saying that the order is applicable to continental France and to French possessions overseas.

**Pétain Indignant**  
SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"  
BERLIN, July 5 (UP).—German dispatches to-day assert that Marshal Pétain, the French Premier, has communicated, through the United States Ambassador to France, an "indignant protest" against British attacks on the French Fleet at Oran.

These dispatches say that the French Foreign Minister, M. Paul Baudouin, conferred with Mr. William C. Bullitt at Vichy and asked that France's attitude be communicated immediately to President Roosevelt.

French official circles are reported to be hoping that President Roosevelt will urge the British to cease their attacks on the French Fleet because it is a "gross violation of international law."

### FRENCH BATTLESHIP GOES UP IN FLAMES



The dramatic naval battle between British and French warships at Oran resulted in the French battleship Dunkerque being so severely hit that she is now a mass of flames. The above is a picture of the Dunkerque.

### Reporter, Interviewing Women Passengers, Writes Of—

## DISGRACEFUL CONDITIONS ABOARD EVACUEE LINER

Police at the evacuee pens on the wharves this morning were reluctant to allow reporters aboard the evacuee ships.

Ordinary wharf passes were of no use.

One reporter, however, managed to get aboard the ship in which the Kowloon women and children were evacuated. He found conditions aboard the ship deplorable.

Many women have cabins and bunks and are travelling in apparent comfort.

But for a large number the conditions aboard the liner are nothing short of intolerable.

**40-50 in One Section**

For hundreds of Hongkong women and children little provision appears to have been made for sanitation. Between 40 and 50 women in one section are expected to share one bath. They have less bed space than is permitted by law in Chinese tenement cubicles in Hongkong.

There appears to have been no attempt to arrange accommodation so that mothers with two or three months' old babies will travel in apparent comfort.

**No Portholes**

A baggage room below the lowest passenger deck has been fitted out to accommodate forty women and children. It has no portholes, no ventilation and for sanitation the people who were unfortunate enough to be herded in it must proceed up to the next floor.

Several ladies who saw their lower deck quarters—which even by third class standards on any ship would be considered inadequate—were almost hysterical.

Mothers who have relied exclusively upon amahs for the upbringing of their children are especially depressed, because the facilities for caring for children are hopeless.

Troopship conditions will apparently prevail during the voyage to Manila.

Although, presumably, some of the passengers will have their meals in the dining saloons, others turn to Page 2, Seventh Column

## ROOSEVELT TO RUN?

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"

WASHINGTON, July 4 (Domel).—President Roosevelt will run for a third Presidential term, with Mr. Cordell Hull, Secretary of State, as candidate for the Vice-Presidency, state authorities here.

This statement, which has been reported in all the national newspapers, has caused a sensation both in Congressional quarters and among Presidential campaigning circles.

## Evacuees Toast "Bottoms Up" In Hotel As They Leave

One of Hongkong's most emotional scenes reached its highest pitch between the hours of 10 a.m. and 11 a.m. to-day when crowds of evacuees gathered at the Hongkong Hotel, the Gloucester Hotel and the Hongkong Club.

## Portuguese Advised To Leave NOW

Portuguese Nationals of Hongkong have been advised, if they wish to leave the Colony, to go to Macao or elsewhere now, in order to obviate any future panic should an emergency arise, was the statement made by the Acting Portuguese Consul this morning to representative of the Hongkong Telegraph.

The Telegraph was also informed that many Portuguese Nationals had already left the Colony for Macao, Shanghai and Manila in accordance with the wishes of local authorities.

These residents will act in advance parties to facilitate housing arrangements and the comfort of other Portuguese Nationals should they be evacuated at any time.

**Exaggerated Reports**

A well-known Macao personality stated this morning that reports of between 20,000 to 30,000 Chinese having arrived in Macao within the last week were grossly exaggerated. Chinese had flocked from Hongkong to the Portuguese Colony within the past week, but at the most only 3,000 had arrived. Portuguese families from Hongkong had also arrived.

He also stated that there was an acute shortage of housing accommodation and advised Portuguese residents, who intended going to Macao, to leave in comfortable time.

Told to attend at the Hongkong Hotel at 10 a.m. the first women showed their willingness to co-operate by arriving before 9 a.m. Nevertheless, volunteer attendants were ready and waiting. The women, leading or carrying their children, entered the hotel by the main entrance and were assembled in the foyer. From here with their suitcases they mounted the first flight of steps in the bottom lounge, where they were relieved of their suitcases and received their identification tags.

**Bewildered**

They were also handed at this point the evacuation cards which they had filled in on Tuesday. Bearing these and mostly looking rather bewildered, they mounted the second flight of steps where a nurse directed them to the snack bar, become for the moment, a medical office.

After inspection here they returned to Macao's Cafeteria, where, as they waited for buses to take them to the Star Ferry, many of them indulged for a last time in the call "Boy" and joined one another in a glass or a cup of tea.

Most of them sat quietly and obviously too overwhelmed to indulge in hypercritical laughter, but many of the children, treating the occasion as a big jamboree, clambered up the grilles of the windows to speak to friends then in Queen's Road.

**At The Gloucester**

Entry to the Gloucester Station made from Des Voeux Road. After the women had been relieved of their suitcases they passed through the Hongkong Electric Co. show-rooms where their pass-ports were inspected and stamped "Hongkong Official Evacuee." While mothers went through this operation, attending nurses looked gently with a succession of strange children. This was only one of the many places where the nurses gave helpful generalities to the women. Believe me, they were a thousand children and unnecessary questions while

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## ITALIAN WARSHIPS KEPT OUT OF WAY AS TWO FLEETS FOUGHT AT ORAN

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"

LONDON, July 4 (UP).—THE POSSIBILITY OF MARSHAL PETAIN'S GOVERNMENT BREAKING OFF DIPLOMATIC RELATIONS WITH BRITAIN, AND OF DECLARING WAR ON HER ALLY IS ENVISAGED BY WELL-INFORMED FRENCH QUARTERS IN LONDON.

At 9 o'clock to-night the British authorities said they had no confirmation of the reports that the Petain Government intends to break off diplomatic relations.

### MIGHT DECLARE WAR

However, certain foreign embassies in London believe that France, under Petain, might declare war against Britain in view of the situation created by the naval action at Oran.

That a substantial portion of the French navy had now fallen into British hands, while other important units had been destroyed in the action with British warships, was revealed by Mr. Winston Churchill in the House of Commons to-day.

### UNDER BRITISH CONTROL

One French battleship, he said, four cruisers, and a number of smaller French ships at Alexandria had been forbidden to leave the harbour, and were now under the control of the British navy.

Two French battleships, two light cruisers, some submarines, eight destroyers, and approximately 200 smaller "but extremely useful craft", most of which are lying at

## ORDERS TO SCUTTLE

LONDON, July 4 (Reuter).—The French armistice delegation reported the incidents between the British and French warships at Oran to the German Armistice Commission.

The official German news agency states: "The leader of the French Government has given orders for the French ships to scuttle themselves if they cannot escape seizure by the British."

In referring to Marshal Pétain, the German agency used the phrase, "Fuehrer of the French Government."

Portsmouth and Plymouth have been boarded and taken over by British naval units.

The operation, said the Premier, was carried out without resistance or bloodshed, except in the case of the submarine *Sucout*.

"Yesterday morning," he added, "we took the greater part of the French Fleet under our control or called upon them to comply with our requirements."

He added that a scuffle arose on the French submarine *Sucout* owing to a misunderstanding. As a result, one British sailor was killed and two British officers and a rating wounded. One French officer was killed and one wounded.

**Ships in Flames**

Referring to the big naval engagement at Oran, Mr. Churchill

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## Japanese And Burma Route Closing

## Britain Rejects Demands, Report

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"

LONDON, July 4 (Domel).—Britain has indicated that she cannot comply with the Japanese request as a whole regarding the cessation of the transport of goods in aid of Chungking through Burma and Yunnan.

This was revealed to-day after Mr. Shigemitsu the Japanese Ambassador had held a conference with Mr. R. A. Butler.

Mr. Shigemitsu urged the British Government to take a broader view of the question for the adjustment of relations between Japan and Britain.

Another message from London says that the British reply to the Japanese representations for the cessation of goods to aid Chungking through Burma and Hongkong will not be of a nature as to satisfy all the demands of the Japanese Government.

It is understood the reply was despatched to Sir Robert Craigie this morning, and it is expected it will be handed to the Japanese Government during this week-end.

**Shigemitsu Makes Plea**  
SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"  
LONDON, July 4 (UP).—The Japanese Ambassador, Mr. Mamoru Shigemitsu, had a conference with Mr. R. A. Butler, Under-Secretary of State for Foreign Affairs, this afternoon.

According to Japanese sources, Mr. Shigemitsu pleaded that a negative British reply to Japan's three demands would possibly play into the hands of Japanese extremists and embarrass the Yonai Government's desire to maintain friendly relations with Britain and the United States.

**"Closed Door" Policy**  
CHUNGKING, July 4 (Reuter).—Describing the statement on the so-called "Monroe Doctrine for East Asia" by Mr. Hachiro Arita, the Japanese Foreign Minister, as a policy

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## MANILA WON'T TAKE STERLING

According to information received in Hongkong this morning, it is impossible to get sterling exchanged in Manila.

No reason is indicated in the message for this, but apparently the army and navy officers experienced this when they landed there earlier this week.

Presumably Gold currency or travellers' cheques are acceptable as well as Hongkong currency.

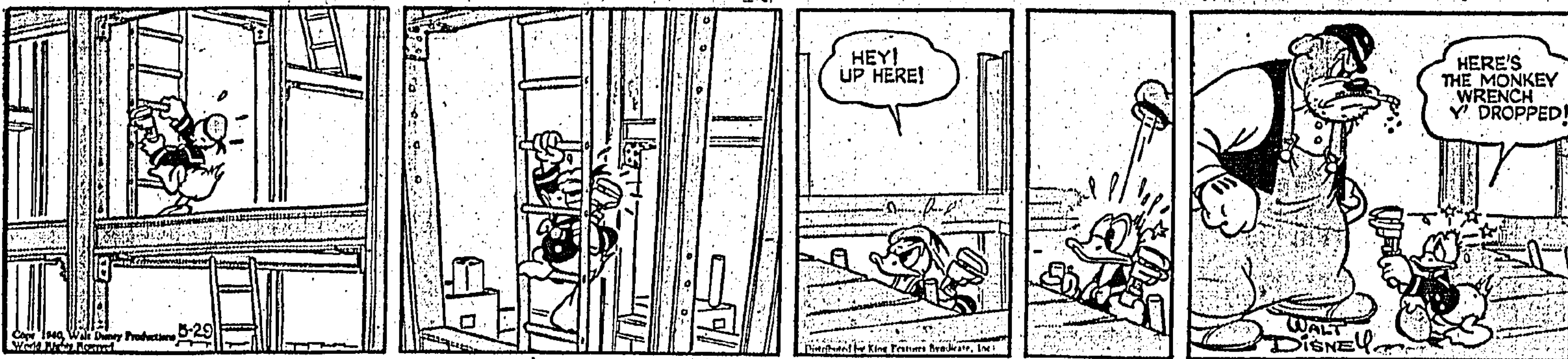
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## BIG BATTLESHIPS IN FLAMES IN AFRICAN PORT

LONDON, July 4 (Reuter).—A summary of the Oran naval action has been issued by DNB, the official German news agency.

It shows that France's biggest commissioned battleship, the 26,500-ton Dunkerque is now in flames in Oran harbour.

## HALIFAX'S STATEMENT

### Defence Of British Naval Action

LONDON, July 4 (Reuter).—The statement made by Lord Halifax in the House of Lords to-day was similar in substance to that of Mr. Winston Churchill in the House of Commons.

Concluding his speech, Lord Halifax said: "It is melancholy to reflect that the magnificent ships of the French Navy should have been prevented by their government from continuing the struggle with their comrades in arms against the common foe, but should rather have been ordered to resist their former comrades in order that they might place themselves under enemy control."

"The officers and men of the French Navy were placed in a position which must have seemed to them well-nigh intolerable."

**Petain's Choice**

"As regards the government of Petain, I am bound to observe that they have placed the redemption of their promise to the enemy before their solemn pledge to their Ally, and this brought to a point of crisis the position in which His Majesty's Government were placed."

"But it is not on reproaches or recriminations that the Government would rest their case. It is inevitable that what has passed, distorted as it will be by enemy propaganda, create sharp resentment from France, where already the distress of the war and the harsh conditions of the armistice have strained public opinion almost to breaking point."

"It is not difficult to realise what will likely be the feelings among the officers and men of the French Navy, among members of the French Government and the French people. Nor is it necessary to translate into words the feelings which are uppermost in our minds and all those who have thought that on the close union of the United Kingdom and France depended the victory of our common cause and who still think that the relations of our two countries must for good or ill be powerful in the future world."

**Must Appreciate Action**

"But it is also true and it is on this fact that the Government based their action, that it is only through victory for Britain, arms that the liberation of France herself can be achieved (Cheers)."

"Therefore, we in this country, who are determined to resist to the end and whatever the cost, the German attempt to dominate Europe, must rely upon the power of the French nation sooner or later to appreciate the final purpose of the British people and to judge fairly the cruel choice which the French Government, under German pressure, had so unhappily imposed upon us."

Throughout Lord Halifax's statement and remarks of the subsequent speakers, there was obvious and vigorous sympathy from all quarters of the House.

## Italy Wants to Fight The British Navy

### —From Behind Her Minefields

LONDON, July 4 (Reuter).—A Rome-Radio announcer, in what appeared to be a reply to Mr. Churchill's statement that the Italian Navy "kept prudently out of the way" at Oran, declared to-day that "Italian naval units played the part of spectators because they could not get to the spot in time."

The announcer threatened naval reprisals and extended an invitation to the British fleet to "repeat the action against an Italian naval base."

## YANGTSE FIGHTING

### Japanese Harassed Near Ichang

CHUNGKING, July 4 (Reuter).—Heavy fighting is in progress on the south bank of the Yangtse River, opposite Ichang.

Japanese troops from Ichang have crossed the river three times in an effort to clear up Chinese forces concentrated on the south bank, according to Chinese reports.

**Chinese Successes**  
The first and second groups of Japanese troops who crossed the river on June 29 and on the night of June 30 were dispersed by the Chinese on July 1, the reports declare.

But the Japanese again crossed the river on July 2.

Chinese troops, it is added, are launching vigorous attacks in an effort to clear the south bank of Japanese troops.

## University Bombed

### Japanese Raiders Over Chungking

CHUNGKING, July 4 (Reuter).—Japanese aircraft in three groups raided the western outskirts of Chungking this afternoon.

The University area at Shapingba was again subjected to heavy aerial bombing.

Chinese fighters engaged the raiders in several aerial battles, the results of which are not yet known.

An alarm was sounded here at 11 a.m. when Japanese aircraft in several groups were reported to be heading for Chungking.

**On Western Outskirts**

It was thought that they were flying to Chongtu or Kiating because they were sighted heading westward along the Chengtu Road; but about 2.30 p.m. the raiders suddenly turned eastward towards Chungking, reaching the capital at 3 p.m.

They dropped bombs on the western outskirts, mainly in the University area, where the Central University has already been bombed twice.

Yesterday five groups of Japanese aircraft headed westward for Chungking but owing to bad weather conditions they dropped their bombs in the vicinity of Fushan on the Yangtse River near the eastern border of Szechuan.

Japanese bombers from Hankow on June 30 were unable to reach the capital because of heavy rains. They bombed Patung while bombers from Shansi raided Sian, according to reports received here.

**Chinese Bomb Ichang**  
SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"

CHUNGKING, July 4 (UP).—A Chinese squadron bombed Ichang and the surrounding Japanese troop concentrations to-day.

After unloading their explosives, the Chinese bombers encountered four enemy pursuit planes of which they downed one and damaged the others.

All Chinese planes returned safely.

**Bombs Brought Down**  
CHUNGKING, July 4 (UP).—One Japanese bomber was brought down at Changshou, just below Chungking.

The first batch of Japanese bombers raided Suiping, 150 miles southwest of Chungking, and the second and third batches bombed the campus of the National Central University and the Chungking University, damaging several buildings but without causing any casualties.

Members of the staffs and students of the Universities helped in the rescue work.

It is understood that the Central National University, despite repeated bombings, is opening as usual this fall.

**Wall Street was closed.**

**STOCK EXCHANGE IMPROVES**

LONDON, July 4 (Reuter).—The Stock Exchange to-day resumed an upward movement in all groups following news of the French fleet.

Useful gains in general and some shortage of stock of the leading industrial and gold-mining shares were reported.

In the early afternoon activity was reduced owing to the imminence of the Prime Minister's speech in the House of Commons, but business again increased shortly prior to the close of trading.

**Wall Street was closed.**

## NAZIS TO INVAD EIRE?

ZURICH, July 4 (Reuter).—The German Press is now asserting that the neutrality of Eire is being threatened by Britain and that Germany is therefore entitled to make counter-acting moves.

This is a familiar phase of Nazi technique, but its application to Eire is noted with deep interest in London.

Defence measures by the Eire Minister of Defence include the placing of Dublin, Kingstown and Cork under military control.

## SCOURGE OF SONG PIRATES

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for the P.R.S. not to track down a "pirate" and extract the fee. Sometimes there have been lawsuits; one in particular scored a great victory for the music-makers.

The part decision was obtained ruling that when a publisher or a restaurant proprietor broadcast music by means of a loud-speaker to his patrons he was liable to a licence, the fee to be divided amongst the society's members.

**Broadcasting Complications**

Broadcasting seemed to complicate matters at first, but eventually the P.R.S. came to an arrangement on behalf of its members, by which composers should receive a fee varying between three shillings and ninepence, and five shillings every time a piece of his work was broadcast. Moreover, the fee was payable for every station transmitting and even it relayed. A vast amount of music is broadcast or dispensed by gramophone records; they also pay a fee.

Owing to the fact that American popular music is in such demand on this side, several thousands of pounds are sent to American composers and publishers every year; but by a reciprocal agreement British music receives the benefit for being played in America. The P.R.S. had to put up a fight to secure this right, but eventually succeeded in persuading the Federal Government to pass legislation preventing piracy.

Should you hear a dance band in Oskosh playing the "Lambeth Walk" you may be sure that Mr. Noel Gay will ultimately receive the appropriate fee.

As can be imagined, this collection of great numbers of composers and publishers every time a piece of his work was broadcast. Moreover, the fee was payable for every station transmitting and even it relayed. A vast amount of music is broadcast or dispensed by gramophone records; they also pay a fee.

In twelve months something like a quarter of a million sterling is collected in licence and copyright fees by the P.R.S. It does not all go to British composers, because included are the sums collected on behalf of foreign composers. France, for instance, takes about £35,000 a year.

There are constant evasions of the law, but in scores of cases they are unwitting. When a local dance band plays at a village "hop" it may forget, if it ever knew, that fees are due to the composers and publishers of the tunes it plays. Officials of the P.R.S. are always on the watch for this sort of thing.

The past history of popular music contains many cases of men who have composed airs that took the world by storm receiving only a few pounds for their work. To-day the man who manages to please the world's ear can assess his income in thousands. Not every composer hits such a high spot as that, but whether terrifically successful or just modestly capable, the composer knows to-day that he is getting his just dues.

G. A. Ferrier

LONDON, July 4 (Reuter).—Prince Bernhard of the Netherlands to-day inspected Dutch warships at a British port. He reiterated his faith in victory.

## CANADA IS CHEERED

### Disposition Of French Fleet Is Tonic

OTTAWA, July 4 (Reuter).—Indications are that Mr. Winston Churchill's statement on the disposition of the French Fleet has done more to encourage Canadians than anything since the start of the war.

The British action, difficult though it was, has made it clear above all question the determination of the British Empire to fight to a finish, in the opinion of the Canadian man-in-the-street.

**Canada Will Be There**

LONDON, July 4 (Reuter).—It is stated in London that if additional personnel is required for officering the French Fleet now in British hands, Canada can supply it.

Royal Canadian Naval Volunteer Reserve members have been training in Britain for some time and others are following on.

Admiralty officials, greatly impressed with the Canadians' keenness, have stated that such men will be a valuable asset to the Royal Navy.

**Melancholy Commons**

Story Of Naval Fight Heard In Silence

LONDON, July 4 (Reuter).—The cold melancholy of a funeral service gripped the House of Commons as members listened to Mr. Churchill unfolding the story of the British attack on the ships of their French allies, writes "Reuter's" lobby correspondent.

Mr. Churchill himself seemed to have almost physical difficulty in forcing the facts from unwilling lips.

For a few minutes, the stark tragedy of the events slowed up the tide of determination for victory which characterises the House of Commons in these days.

**Dead Silence**

There was a dead silence as the French losses were enumerated and Mr. Churchill expressed his fear that the loss of French lives had been heavy.

Then the darkest portion of the panorama passed and the Prime Minister proceeded to quote our inflexible resolve to do everything possible to prevent other ships falling into German hands.

The tension was broken when Mr. Churchill declared that he left the Cabinet's action to the judgment of Parliament. Members relieved their pent-up feelings by a tremendous cheer.

**Churchill Cheered**

The end of his speech—after he had given the lie direct to rumours of negotiation with Germany and Italy and had reiterated the determination of the country to fight on until victory was achieved—gave the House occasion for unleashing the feelings that had been growing during the speech.

Mr. Churchill sat down with the appearance of having completed a strenuous physical and mental task. Immediately the whole House burst into loud applause and Mr. Churchill seemed almost crushed by the volume of applause and sat crouched in his seat with his chin on his chest.

Mr. Churchill quickly recovered and rose to move that the House enter into secret session.

As he stood at the despatch box, his appearance was a signal for another spontaneous burst of cheering.

**32 BOMBS ON ALEXANDRIA**

CAIRO, July 4 (Reuter).—A naval communiqué states that during an Italian air raid on Alexandria to-day 32 bombs were dropped but there was only slight damage.

The casualties were three killed and four slightly injured.

One bomb fell on King Farouk's estate.

**SOVIET EMBASSY CLOSES**

TOKYO, July 4 (Reuter).—The Soviet Embassy at Peiping was closed to-day according to a Japanese report.

All other Soviet diplomatic missions and consulates in Japanese-occupied areas in North China have already been closed.

The Soviet Consul-General, M. Nikitin, and his wife will leave at 7.30 to-morrow by train for home, the reports add.

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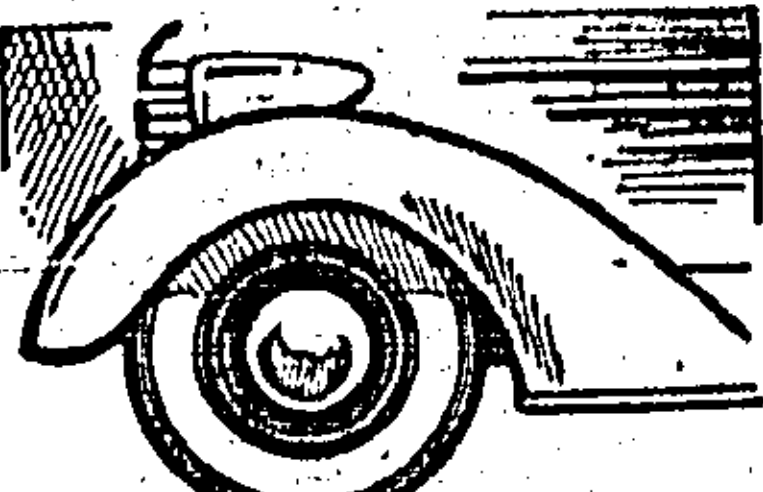
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**Arms And The Freeman**

Basically democracy is stronger than military power. Nevertheless the effect of military developments on the evolution of government has at times been profound. Some students of history even infer that the ups and downs of democracy through the ages follow changes in the relations between the various groups of arms.

For example, when cavalry was a decisive factor in warfare, aristocracy assumed the saddle of government; because only the well-to-do could afford control of the equipment necessary to military power. But when infantry became the decisive factor, the placing of weapons in the hands of the masses brought with it the necessity of meeting in a degree the demands of those masses. Moreover when every man could by the possession of a small arm make a considerable defence of his home and liberty, politics had to take account of the fact.

Thus, we are told, has evolution—and sometimes revolution—in military equipment effected deep changes in social organisation. To-day the world once more is passing through a period when the big and expensive type of armament appears to be more and more decisive. Airplanes cost more than horses ever did. Tanks, battleships, submarines and even some of the smaller types of artillery—these are not designed to fit the small man's backbook. But neither happily for democracy, do they fit the wealthy man's purse. They are indeed so expensive that only the co-operation of all the people—with the bulk of the means necessarily less well-to-do—can finance them.

In the present war, therefore, the revolution of mechanised warfare has most meaning for democracy simply in the striking power which at the outset it has provided for the declared enemies of democracy.

Military experts are assessing the changes in land and naval warfare that result from the use of tanks and airplanes on an unprecedented scale. These changes appear disadvantageous to naval power as traditionally exercised; this is one of the more striking conclusions of the experts. The Norwegian campaign indicated that air power has made naval operation near land risky and even ineffectual, unless supported by an adequate air arm.

Thus naval strategy may have to be revised. It may become more like land strategy. As infantry is moved into a position prepared by artillery and the advance of mechanised forces, so airplanes must be brought up to make tenable the positions that battleships take.

Land warfare has undergone similar modification. It has become more like naval warfare. Tanks are its battle ships, the experts say by way of illustrating this point. Tanks, aided by airplanes, break the path for man-power to pour over. In addition the development of the air arm has added a new sort of artillery to warfare. The airplane is like a mobile gun—the most mobile men have ever known—delivering its fire with an accuracy and concentration apparently more demoralising than any artillery fire of the past.

This war has indeed uncovered a revolution in military method. Where such alterations have occurred in the past they have affected democracy indirectly. To-day they may still exert indirect influences. But the effect that concerns democratic peoples at this moment is a most direct one. It lies in a frank and even boastful intent to destroy democracy's foundations with monsters which, however, democracy can harness to work for the protection of freedom.

## Will Nazis Stand the Test?

By "An Old Stager"

REMARKABLY enough, little or no importance seems to have been attached in any responsible quarter to one of the most significant revelations yet made as to the course of this war. I refer to the account, published by our own authorities, of what really happened at Montevideo after the naval action between the Graf Spee and our small cruisers.

We now know that, after hastily making urgent repairs to their slightly battered pocket-battleship, which was in perfectly adequate fighting trim, the officers ordered the crew to their stations with the intention of steaming out to renew the fight with our sorely hammered light cruisers. But the German sailors, virtually, if not actually, mutinied. Only sixty of the older hands stepped forward, and the rest, out of nearly a thousand men less battle casualties, refused to obey orders.

We are told authoritatively that they were appealed to eight times, by their captain and other officers, but nothing would budge those youthful Nazi enthusiasts. To quote our incomparable King Hal of Agincourt fame, they had no stomach for this fight. Or, as our modern lower-deck Jack Tars would phrase it in good terse Anglo-Saxon, they had already had more than their bellyful of British naval gunnery.

**Swastika Swagger**

It was when this predicament was communicated to Hitler, by phone in Berlin from South America, that he sent the order to scuttle the Graf Spee outside Montevideo harbour.

This dramatic episode does more than cast a tragic light on the subsequent suicide of the German pocket-battleship's commander. It suggests most significantly that the younger generation of post-1914-1918 Germans, who are the most hectic disciples of Nazi doctrine, are not at all what they have been cracked up to be. It is one thing to swagger about in swastikas, giving theatrical Heil Hitler salutes, or bullying elderly non-Aryans. It is quite another kettle of fish, however, when these young hooligans come up against real fighting.

Our gunners had, in fact, obviously knocked all the Nazi swank out of the Graf Spee's younger lower-deck hands, and these pseudo-heroes, after being prematurely feasted by their Montevideo compatriots, found themselves severely cold-shouldered by their recent entertainers.

**Not As In 1914**

Without seeking to make even hillocks out of molehills, it may be reasonably suggested that the Graf Spee crew can be taken as a fair sample of post-last-war German fighting morale. Those best able to judge, including by all accounts the German Higher Command itself, have all along held that the German Army of to-day bears no sort of comparison in efficiency, or morale with the pickelhaube legions who took the field in August

1914. What happened at Montevideo, moreover, strikingly confirms impartial criticism of the bearing and looks of those German divisions who took part in the Czech and Polish operations.

There was nothing ersatz about the Germany of 1914. It was probably the best organised national machine in existence. Yet that mighty German Army, with all its immense superiority of artillery and ammunition supplies, was held eventually, within a few weeks, and actually partly repulsed at the Marne, by a France that then possessed no impregnable Maginot fortifications, and had only the assistance of a highly trained but numerically inconsiderable British expeditionary force.

These facts, for facts they are, are certainly worth pondering when we come to consider the existing military situation. How far is the German military machine of to-day, with its Gestapo-riden divisions and battalions and its ersatz morale of calculated theatricalism, likely to sustain itself against any heavy blows on the embattled field is a really intriguing question?

**Short of Officers**

The Graf Spee officers apparently were right enough. It was the crew who wilted under ordeal. But we know that, when this war began, the German Army was short of sixty thousand trained and experienced officers.

No wonder the German Higher Command has not looked with any favour on adventures, not merely against the Maginot fortress line, but elsewhere in flanking operations. It has always been the

writer's firm belief that in a thorough-going military sense the German Army of to-day is probably just as gimerack an affair as the whole gospel of Mein Kampf gangsterism. It may be that time will show conclusively, and maybe rather sensationally, how far this opinion is a shrewd one.

The Goebbels theory that the German Army of the last war was never defeated in the field, and that it finally cracked under collapse of the home front after being stabbed in the back by non-Aryan traitors, is an audacious fabrication, worthy of its author, which will not stand the test of cast-iron facts.

**The Day of Reckoning**

Long before the German home front had collapsed, the deterioration of its field-grey legions on the Western Front was palpable. The Hymn of Hate had given place to the Kamerad act. Within a few weeks of determined aggressive fighting the Franco-British Armies had captured half a million German prisoners, immense numbers of guns and equipment of all sorts, and driven the German legions back scores of miles.

Bluff, artifice, make-believe, and bluster may be invaluable in diplomatic encounters. Certainly Hitler and his entourage have exploited these to the uttermost. But when it comes to real fighting, against determined and intelligent well-armed forces, we get right back to the morale of the Graf Spee fiasco.

The acid test, as the Shavian Caesar well phrased it, is when every man must take his life into his hand, and fling it in the face of Death. Only seasoned and hard-bitten soldiers can stand up to that test, not boosting gangsters or youthful sadists.

## WORLD WITHOUT BRITAIN

By Albert Wilson

(Excerpts from "Great Britain, an Empire in Transition," reprinted by special permission of the publisher, John Day Company.)

The British Empire has affected since the beginning of the eighteenth century the lives of more human beings than any other political structure ever erected. Its influence has spread over territories more vast than that of any previous human organisation; for good or for evil, its tremendous power enabled it, during the past two or three centuries, to direct the course of world history with more authority than that exerted by any other State.

Until the last few years, certainly, Great Britain has had the resources and influence to crush potential disturbers of world peace by diplomatic and economic weapons long before resort had to be had to arms. . . . If the Pax Britannica has been no more real than the Pax Romana in ancient times, the explanation does not lie in lack of potential power.

Yet even if unable or unwilling to assure permanent world peace, the British Empire has been powerful enough to prevent dozens of wars during the past century and a half. There is hardly a European or Asiatic State which has not been prevented by British disapproval or threats from grasping the sword.

To realize Britain's position in the contemporary world one need only consider what would happen if as a result of military defeat the British Empire ceased to exist tomorrow. A few minutes' reflection will show that the very foundations of Western civilisation would be shaken by such a cataclysm more profoundly than by any other event since the collapse of Rome. Not because the British civilising force; so invaluable as the world's peace, rather, civilisation would tremble because all the aggressive powers—as well as many states at present without aggressive foreign policies—would immediately rush to occupy the vacuum created by the disappearance of Britain. Armies, navies, and air forces would be set in motion from one end of the world to the other.

The solemn fact is that collapse of the British Empire would serve as a signal for the hungry Powers of the world to launch new and greater wars of aggression. It is a grave mistake to think that nothing more tragic would happen than the replacement of Britain by Germany as the dominant Power in the world. The Empire of a British Empire there would be a German Empire. The situation is not nearly so simple. Aside from the all-important fact that a German Empire would mean a fundamental cultural change, the repercussions of which would affect every section of the world, the tragic reality is that a victorious Germany would be unable to establish even a temporary settlement. A German victory would be followed by a century of wars. Such a victory would release a new and all-pervasive world force, and all the suffering which that would entail. Britain, however, is a satisfied empire, having long resisted the lure of having long resisted the lure of new victory would be followed not by the Imperialism of the British Empire, but by the Imperialism of the German Empire.

Britain's defeat would be the signal for a general scramble between Germany, Russia, Japan, and Italy for each of the Empire. For not only does each have desires on certain territories; the hungry States are not in agreement among themselves as to the division of the spoils. Their conflicting claims are too fundamental to be resolved in any other way than the force of arms. Further, the scramble for territory would compel Turkey, Holland, Belgium, and only to the detriment of their position in the delicate European balance of power—to enter the race.

For could the three score and six States forming the British Empire defend their independence for more than a century of its world preponderance? Britain became the policeman for more than a quarter of the globe, and the members of the Empire came to depend on her for protection against foreign aggression. Some handed over their safety into British hands voluntarily as a measure of economy; others were compelled by the British to do so for their selfish imperialistic reasons. The able to give their own people a new, no doubt effective, but, as a result, those States were very close to complete disarmament.

It is inconceivable that such world-shaking convulsions would not leave their imprint on every person in the Americas. International trade would disappear; even more pressing would be the new policy of currency control. We would not have to fight for Canada; it would come to its knees begging for protection against foreign aggression. The British possessions in the southern part of the continent would be left to the mercy of the United States to establish effective domination over the whole Western Hemisphere and adjacent islands.

But can anyone imagine that we would tolerate the extension of Japan's domination over Singapore, India, Australia, and New Zealand, which would be the result of a British victory? Even if sacrifice of our vital interests on other continents kept us out of the scramble, the day when one of the other of the mighty world powers would cross the Pacific and land on our shores would be far postponed. For the new Napoleons would dream of adding these to the past of world domination.

To-day, when the lives of millions of men are in the balance of nations, informed clear thinking on international affairs is a rare thing. It has become of vital interest to the multitude. For the first time in history public opinion determines internal and foreign policies of governments; the mistakes of officialdom and the consequent disasters can no longer be blamed on a closed caste, separated from the masses. And, as have attempted to indicate, events as no political structure hold greater interest to humanity than those in the British Empire.

**FUNNY SIDE UP**

By Abner Dean



"Wish I could remember what I was going to be when I grew up!"

## Scourge of Song Pirates

THE scene is a moonlit hotel garden overlooking the sea. The place is not too fashionable Italian hotel in a second-rate Italian resort. In an illuminated alcove a local band is playing an English tune, while a crooner croons. By providing these entertainments free the enterprising hotel proprietor attracts large numbers of evening visitors to his wine gardens.

One morning the proprietor is startled and disgusted to receive a demand for fees from the Performing Right Society in respect for all English songs and music performed on his premises. How did the Performing Right Society in London know about those performances in an Italian hotel garden?

They know because they are a very remarkable organization, and because, like the Canadian Mounties, they have a reputation for "always getting their men." More particularly, in this case they know because they are linked with a similar institution which guards the interests of Italians. The Performing Right Society would probably have known about these particular songs if that hotel garden had been in Mexico, Paraguay, Tangiers, or Harbin.

Victimisation Stopped

The victimisation of composers and others concerned with music has been stopped in an almost miraculous way by the activities of the Performing Right Society. When a dance band plays a request in a hotel in Africa, in course of time a note of the fact will be made in the files of the Society, whose offices are in Hanover Square, London. Thus it is assured that composer, lyric writer, and publisher each gets his share of the fee which the dance band or, maybe, the hotel proprietor has paid for the right to play that particular number. Amicable international understanding safeguards the interest of all music-makers, whatever their nationality.

The Society makes no charges for entrance fees in the way of

annual subscription. A percentage of the receipts is retained for expenses.

In the sixties of the last century, and indeed later, a vast amount of music was played in Britain and abroad without any payment. Payment was apt to be more the exception than the rule. For instance, a hotel-keeper or the organiser of the local dance band could play whatever tune he liked without the composer benefiting in any way, and he and his lyricist and publisher had to pretend that they liked it, on the ground that it was probably good publicity.

The Performing Right Society was instituted in 1914, and it is astonishing that at first it was well supported. But when it began to produce results in the shape of hard cash, those who had doubted its effectiveness rushed to join. To-day its influence extends to the ends of the earth, those responsible for the making of music are earning sums in proportion to the popularity of their work, and the former "pirates" are brought to heel.

The going has not always been perfectly smooth. Both in Britain and abroad constant attempts have been made to use music without payment, but it is a very rare thing

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## WAR IN THE DESERT BATTLE IN KENYA

### Italians Routed In Big Engagement

LONDON, July 4 (Reuters).—Details of a battle between British and Italian troops near Moyale (in Kenya on the Abyssinian border) were available in London today.

A British outpost was held by one company of men. A much larger force of Italians crossed the frontier suddenly and attacked the outpost from the rear.

#### Enemy Driven Out

British reinforcements were sent immediately and launched a counter-attack in co-operation with bombers of the Royal Air Force and the South African Air Force.

An R.A.F. communique says that South African Air Force bombers made direct hits on gun emplacements and blew up an ammunition dump.

The land force drove the Italians out of British territory, restored the outpost and destroyed four Italian guns.

#### Enemy Assaults Repulsed

CAIRO, July 4 (Reuters).—A British war communique issued today stated: "In the western desert the enemy advanced yesterday against Sollum but subsequently withdrew. On the Kenya front on Tuesday, supported by artillery and aircraft, the enemy made three unsuccessful assaults on Moyale. Our casualties were slight. On other points there is nothing to report."

## EVACUEES GO ABOARD

### Eyewitness Account From The Liner

From Our Special Correspondent  
Aboard An Evacuation Liner

At 11 o'clock this morning hundreds of women and children started streaming aboard this Empress liner which is to take them to Manila later today.

There was a general air of cheerfulness, and a wild rush to secure the more comfortable bunks in the various cabins which had been allotted.

The children were especially excited, but mothers and wives revealed by their expressions that they realized the importance and drama of the occasion.

While aboard this morning I heard about the trip made earlier this week to Manila, carrying the families of Hongkong's army and navy forces.

#### Ten Expectant Mothers

It was revealed that ten expectant mothers made the journey, and they were placed in special cabins. No births occurred during the trip.

The voyage was normal in most respects. A certain amount of rough weather was experienced and considerable sea sickness resulted among the passengers.

But there was no grumbling and no complaints, everybody doing their utmost to take the situation philosophically.

#### Evacuee Flashes

The "Telegraph" is officially informed that neither ship will sail before 3 p.m. today.

Husbands will not be permitted to go aboard the ships. They will be permitted to visit the wharves at any time they desire today.

Evacuees who registered at the Hongkong Hotel and Hongkong Club will leave by the ship at the No. 1 wharf. Registrations at all other centres will depart from No. 5 wharf.

We were informed this morning that the Director of Evacuation regretted that it was impossible to accept the suggestion that wives should be permitted to leave the ships once they had gone aboard, in order to bid farewell to their husbands.

It was explained that the suggestion would be impracticable owing to the large numbers leaving, and that there would be considerable congestion on the wharves.

Families of 100 are leaving the registration centres every hour for embarkation, and husbands and other relatives have the opportunity of making their last farewell at the wharves.

## EVACUATION FROM BELFAST

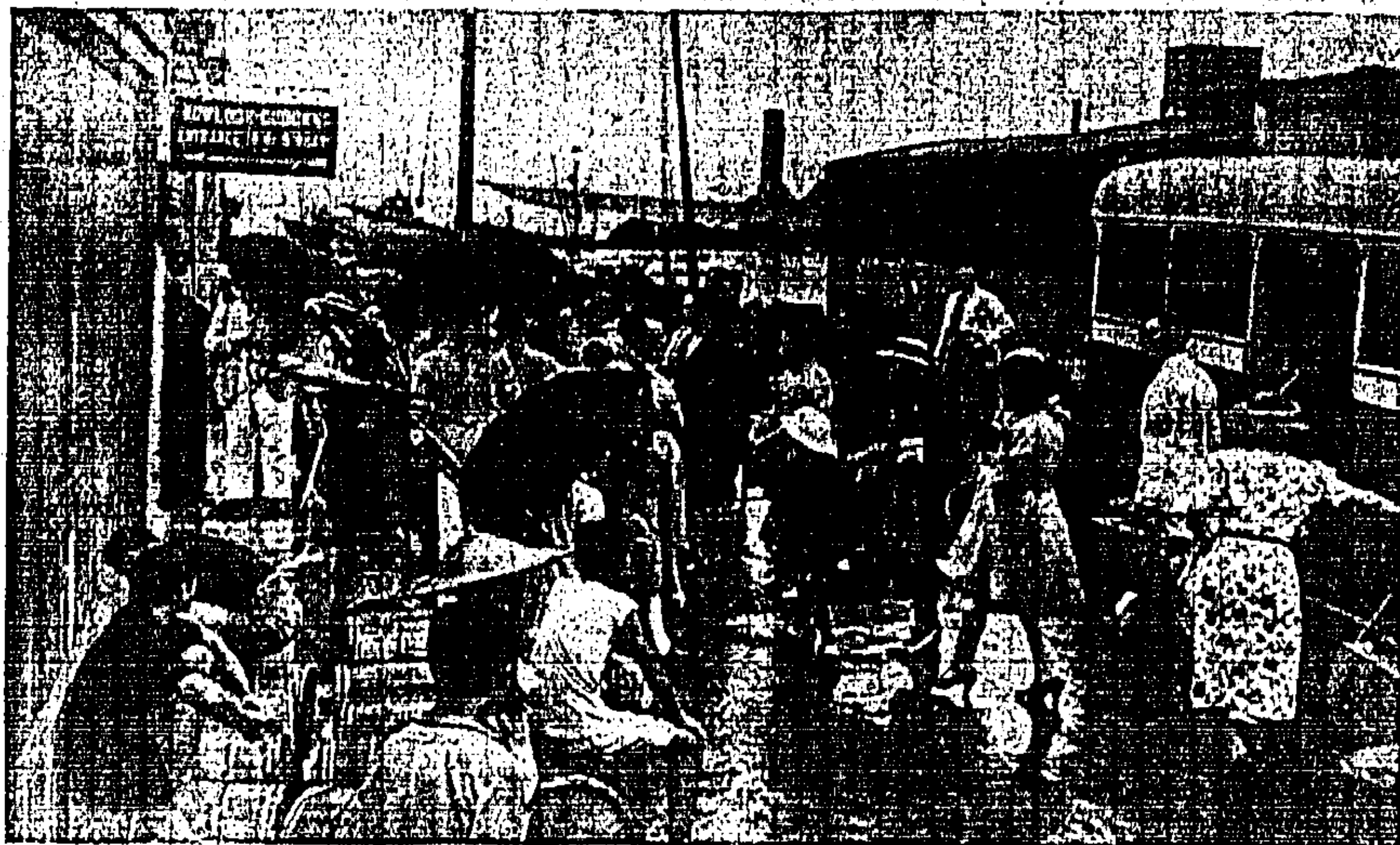
LONDON, July 4 (Reuters).—The evacuation of school-children from Belfast will begin on Sunday when about 15,000 to 20,000 registered children are to be moved from the city. Unregistered children will be evacuated from vulnerable areas next Monday.

This decision is taken by Northern every effort to play off this Sunday.

U.S. Plane Plants  
Get Busy  
WASHINGTON, July 4 (Reuters).—The United States aviation industry is now producing 2,000 aero-engines and 500 military planes a month.

By using the plants to the full and employing more skilled labour, the output is expected to rise still further shortly.

## THIS MORNING'S EVACUATION SCENES



KOWLOON ladies and children were brought to the Kowloon wharves by buses from the K.C.C., K.F.C. and Peninsula Hotel. They arrived at No. 5 pier in batches of 25. Photograph above shows one batch arriving.—Ming Yuen.



ISLAND evacuees were shepherded across the island in the Star ferries. Half of the first class accommodation was reserved for them. A batch is shown entering the Kowloon wharves to embark from No. 1 Pier.—Ming Yuen.

"Telegraph" Correspondent Reveals Antipodean Reception Plans

## AUSTRALIA PREPARES TO OFFER HOME TO EVACUEES

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"

SYDNEY, July 5 (Our Own Correspondent).—No official details have been released in Sydney of the final Australian destination of the Hongkong women and children evacuees, nor, apparently, have the Australian authorities been officially informed of the number who are likely to proceed to the Commonwealth.

Enquiries in the chief capitals today indicate that no definite plans have been made for their reception.

The fact that unsolicited offers to care for refugee children have poured in to Government offices is an indication, however, of the warmth of the welcome the Hongkong evacuees will receive in Australia.

The Federal authorities in Canberra have officially announced that Australia is fully prepared to care for the Hongkong evacuees if necessary, but no definite arrangements for their reception have been made as yet.

#### 5,000 Expected

It is learned, however, that the Commonwealth Government has consulted the six State Governments regarding the disposal of the evacuees, who are unofficially expected to total about 5,000 women and children.

The Federal Government's announcement states that it is expected that the majority of the Hongkong refugees will be comfortably placed financially and would not require assistance. Aid will be forthcoming to those who require it.

Sydney Harbour "Hotel"

Officials today inspecting the North Head quarantine station, overlooking the entrance to Sydney harbour and set in picturesque surroundings that will gladden the eye of Hongkong evacuees if and when they enter Sydney harbour.

If necessary, it may become their temporary "hotel" until accommodation in private houses can be arranged for families.

## British Promise To The Pope

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"

VATICAN CITY, July 4 (UP).—It is authoritatively stated that Mr. D'Arcy Osborne, British Minister to the Holy See, has given a formal assurance to His Holiness the Pope that Britain will refrain from any bombardments which might conceivably damage Vatican City.

It is stressed that British armed forces, especially the R.A.F., have been ordered to respect the "sacred character of Rome."

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OLD COURSE

At least a thousand evacuees could be accommodated here alone. The Premier of Victoria, Mr. Dunstan, has confirmed that the Commonwealth Government has approached him for Victoria's aid in preparing for the reception of the evacuees. Mr. Dunstan said he did not know how many evacuees would be allotted to Victoria or the type of accommodation they would require.

"Victoria will do everything in its power to accommodate the Hongkong people," he said. Former residents of Hongkong now living in Australia or visiting the Commonwealth on leave are keeping the cable offices busy, cabling to Hongkong for news and offering accommodation to friends.

## Fate Of British Aircraft Carrier

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"

LONDON, July 4 (UP).—The Germans claim to have sunk the British aircraft-carrier, *Illustrious*. So far, however, there has been no confirmation.

The Germans state that the *Illustrious*, one of Britain's latest aircraft-carriers, was torpedoed by a U-boat.

The *Illustrious*, one of six ships of her class, has a normal complement of 1,600 and was completed on April 5, 1939. She has an overall length of 735 feet, carries 10 4.5 dual purpose guns, and has a speed of 30 knots.

The German communique carrying the claim of the sinking of the *Illustrious* says: "A German U-boat, commanded by Lieut. Commander Endruze, achieved a torpedo hit on the newest British aircraft carrier *Illustrious*."

SUEZ CANAL  
"AGREEMENT"

CAIRO, July 4 (Reuters).—According to the *Valdiz paper* "Al Mesri," a secret agreement concerning the Suez Canal was reached between France, Germany and Italy during the armistice negotiations.

TOKYO, July 4 (Reuters).—Following two sessions of the Joint Trade Conference, the visiting Spanish Economic Mission and the Japanese Chamber of Commerce and Industry signed a declaration for the promotion of trade relations between the two countries today.

## JUDGMENT FOR GLEN LINE

### Court Sequel To Collision Ends

Written judgment on the Flintshire-Yarraville collision case was delivered by the Chief Justice, Sir Atholl MacGregor, at the Supreme Court this morning.

His Lordship held that the Yarraville, which was chartered to the Socony-Vacuum Oil Co. at the time of the collision, was entirely at fault, and accordingly awarded judgment, with costs, to the Glen Line, Ltd., owners of the Flintshire.

The collision occurred in the early hours of June 16, 1937 in the Yellow Sea at a point about Lat. 33.27 deg. N. and Long 122.42 deg. E.

#### The Judgment

In the course of his judgment, His Lordship said: "It has not been contended that the Yarraville was not in fault and I find her in default in four separate respects:

(i) On her own showing from 6.55 a.m. when she ran into fog she continued at her full speed of 11 knots until 7.23 a.m. That speed, I am satisfied, was in such circumstances excessive.

(ii) If her speed at 7.23 a.m. was 11 knots through the water I find it impossible to believe that without taking any retarding action except stopping the engines at 7.23 a.m. she could have been dead in the water at 7.30 a.m. nor am I impressed by the sufficiency of the steps taken by Captain East and Mr. Boyd to satisfy themselves that in fact she had all way off by that time. I am satisfied that the Yarraville sounded the two blast signals some time before she was dead in the water.

#### Almost Incredible

(iii) The startling admission by both Captain East and Mr. Boyd that in a fog, with engines stopped and with an appreciable south easterly swell neither of them took the trouble to observe the compass or in any way to ascertain how their ship was heading is almost incredible. There is evidence that the Yarraville fell off her course 65 or 70 degrees to starboard and indeed it is only on the assumption that she so fell off that I can understand the evidence that the Flintshire's signals were heard on the Yarraville's port bow.

(iv) At 7.33 a.m. the Yarraville put her helm hard starboard, all at a time when no officer on board took the trouble to observe their own heading and when they had no means of knowing how the Flintshire was heading.

The conclusion to which I have come, and which I am advised is a proper one, is that the Flintshire was at all times navigated in a proper and seamanlike manner, and that no degree of responsibility for the collision can be attributed to her.

#### Solely To Blame

"It follows, therefore, that in my judgment the Yarraville is solely to blame for the collision with the Flintshire."

Mr. Eldon Potter, K.C., and Mr. H. C. Macnamara, instructed by Johnson, Stokes and Mosley, appeared for the Glen Line, Ltd., and the Hon. Mr. Leo D'Almada, Jr., was instructed by Wilkinson and Grist for the Socony-Vacuum Oil Co., the defendants. The claim was for damages (unstipulated).

Lieut.-Comdr. K. W. Kirby, R.N., sat with the Chief Justice as Assessor.

## WOMAN RECOVERS \$20,500

### Brilliant Work By Police

The Chinese woman who had her savings of \$20,500 stolen from her this week has now recovered the money intact, thanks to the diligent work of the police.

The Police worked on the case up to the early hours of this morning when they succeeded in tracing the money to Apilechau.

The story was revealed in the Kowloon police court this morning when Wong Wai-ngok, a private body guard was charged with stealing the money from Lai Mai, of 12 Suffolk Road.

#### Found Intact

It was stated that the woman took the money home with her and that Wong knew she had got it. He obtained the key to the drawer and took the money, getting it out of the house and passing it over to his uncle's keeping in Apilechau.

Police early this morning found the \$20,500 intact lying on a shelf in the house.

Wong said to the Magistrate that he acted on impulse, and he was sentenced to four months hard labour.

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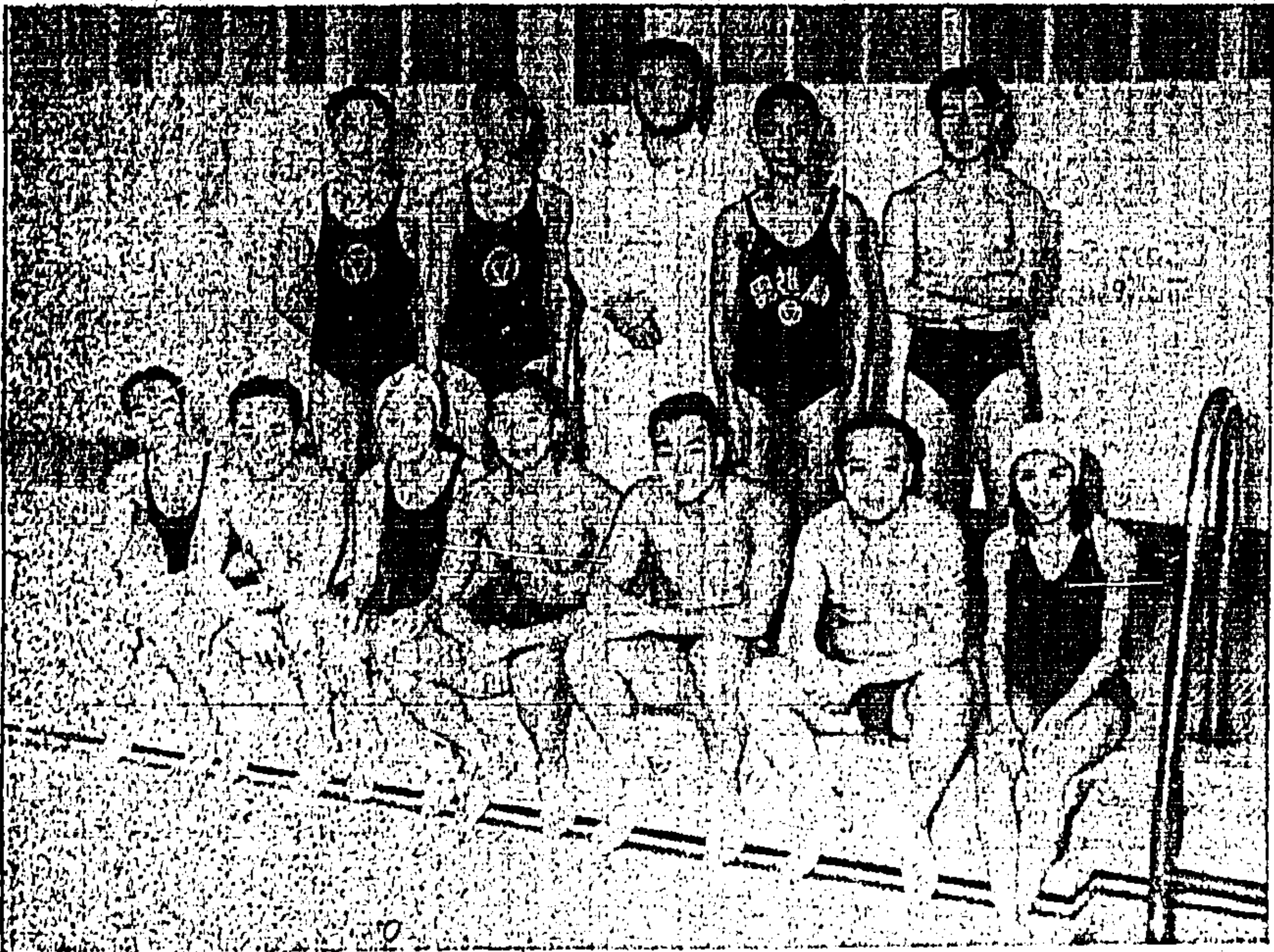
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The Lai Tsun Union swimming team, whose medley relay team is as yet undefeated this season. Standing at the back in the white coat is Chan Chun-nam, cross-harbour champion, with Yau Sai-kwan and Lau Tai-ping second and third respectively on either side. S. H. Wong, the coach, is seated second from the right.—Ming Yuen.

## LEAGUE BASKETBALL

### Chinese "Y" Defeat Kwong Tai U. In Thrilling Last Minute Rally

(By "GUARD")

HERO OF THE HOUR on Wednesday was Luk Tut-cheung of Chinese "Y" when, in the last split second before full time he repeated his performance when playing against Pui Ying by sinking a basket from well out to give Chinese "Y" victory over Kwong Tai University in the tightest cage league game this season 36-35.

In the other senior game Combined Banks gained their first victory of the season when they humbled the Wah Kiu quintette 43-34, in a match in which they were not visited with the usual "bad joss" that seems to have been following them around.

From the bell Kwong Tai played the "zone" defence, but gained possession of the ball and, within the first minute, drew first blood in a series of cleverly executed passes. Chinese "Y" replied soon after, and with scores level both grew cautious. Chinese "Y" was employing the man-to-man defence, while Kwong

Tai played the "zone" defence, but their passings were faster and more thought-out than "Y's". Chan King-chor of "Y" gave his team the lead when he was successful with a foul shot, but this lead was only short-lived as Chan Siu-luk sank a basket to give Kwong Tai the lead again. Luk Tut-cheung of "Y" was doing great things as guard, and was easily

### HIGH JUMPER JOINS R.A.F.

London, June 28. Stanley West, the Olympic high jumper and Great Britain's best exponent for years, is in the Royal Air Force as a physical training instructor.

For some time West, who is a travelling salesman, has had little opportunity for training, but he hopes to get plenty of time to get fit and enable him to better his best jump of 6 ft. 3 in.—Reuter.

the best player on the court, while Wong Wai-hung did excellent work sinking baskets from Luk's efforts. Kwong Tai's Chan Siu-luk and Lee Chun-sing were the only players who were really dangerous. When half time had reached Kwong Tai was in the lead 22-20 due to a nice basket by Lo Tung.

### STEAM-ROLLER OFFENSIVE

FROM the resumption Kwong Tai went further ahead in a steamroller offensive that "Y" failed to stop. Ng Suen-chi, peering from a difficult position a lovely one-handed shot, 24-20. "Y" made a great effort and mainly due to Luk were they able to somewhat check Kwong Tai, but Chan Siu-luk managed another basket, 26-20.

Au Chi-keung, who was included earlier on suddenly struck a good pitch and proceeded to give as good an account of himself as Luk, and the two of them managed to hold the Tains while first Au, from field goal, then Wong Wai-hung brought them up to two points arrears.

The game continued at its fast pace, but the "Y" players found the man-to-man defence a trying effort and were showing signs of flagging, while the Tains appeared the fresher team. Kwong Tai, mainly due to Lo Tung, who was playing a grand game with Chan Siu-luk, again gained a six-points lead, 32-26, over the "Y". Au and Wong of "Y" made great efforts and their team once more were two points behind at 33-31.

### A DEAD-LOCK

A DEAD-LOCK seemed to have settled as neither side seemed capable of taking the ball past the other's guard. Luk Tut-cheung awarded his earlier half play by performing like two men himself.

"Y's" forwards made the most of Wong Wai-hung, their centre. Leung Kong-keung, Tain guard, vied with Luk for honours in their respective positions, and was not far behind. Throughout the game he had not been displaced, and performed just as well as at the beginning.

"Y" made a gallant attempt, drew level and then passed the Tains' score at 34-33 in a mad scramble. With four minutes to go, Lo Tung, sank a lovely field goal to give his side the lead at 35-34. Like true sportsmen, they gave the "Y" an even chance of getting the game and refused to "freeze" them despite the encouragement of their supporters.

### THE FINAL GOAL

"Y" profited by their sportsmanship when Luk intercepted a pass intended for Lo Tung to try blindly, and just as the ball was sinking the ball was sailing along and sank through as clean as a whistle to give "Y" victory 36-35 after a splendid game.

### The Scores

Combined Banks 43 Wah Kiu 34  
Chinese "Y" 36 Kwong Tai 35  
SECOND DIVISION  
Press 48 Cheng Pak 38

## Thrilling Moments Of Cup Semi-finals

### Blackburn Eliminate Newcastle 1-0

JUNE 1 was a beautiful day for the Cup Semi-finals. The 14,238 people at Blackburn saw a very quiet game. No bells or rattles—none of the usual cup-tie nothing, except perhaps in that final swelling cheer as the whistle went, and Blackburn Rovers trooped off the field with a one-goal margin of victory over Newcastle United.

There was just a second-half spell of ten minutes or so that took one back to old times—to that semi-final, drama at Old Trafford, Manchester, last season, when Grimsby's full-back had to don the injured goalkeeper's jersey against the Wolves.

At Blackburn the Newcastle goalkeeper Swinburne twisted an ankle in making a save from Clarke after 73 minutes, and Woodburn was his deputy for five minutes.

### DEFENSIVE BLUNDER

BUT before that—19 minutes after half time—Swinburne had figured in the big dramatic moment of the match as he stood helplessly watching a header from Clarke flash past him.

The goalkeeper was unsighted as Butt's centre came across, and as Clarke met it with his head Swinburne, it seems, thought Craig had it covered. A defensive blunder—how often has that summed up a Cup defeat!

Woodburn later made a few heart-in-your-mouth saves as deputy goalkeeper until Swinburne returned from his brief rest.

Then Cairns shot across the Rovers' goal-mouth in the last minute to bring visions—but visions only—of extra time.

It was the finish. So Blackburn Rovers deserved to reach the final because of a scoring chance that was snatched up and a general level of team play that was better than Newcastle's.

### DODGERS HUMBLE GIANTS

NEW YORK, July 4 (UP).—Brooklyn Dodgers humbled the New York Giants today, maintaining their lead in the National Baseball League. The complete scores were:

### NATIONAL LEAGUE

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Brooklyn	5	10	0
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New York	1	7	1
Battery: Lohrman, Joiner, Dan-nig.			

	R	H	E
Boston	3	8	2
Battery: Salvo, Berres.			
Philadelphia	4	6	0
Battery: Blanton, Atwood.			

### AMERICAN LEAGUE

	R	H	E
New York	12	11	0
Battery: Chandler, Dickey.			
Boston	4	10	0
Battery: Wilson, Ostermuller, Pen-cock.			

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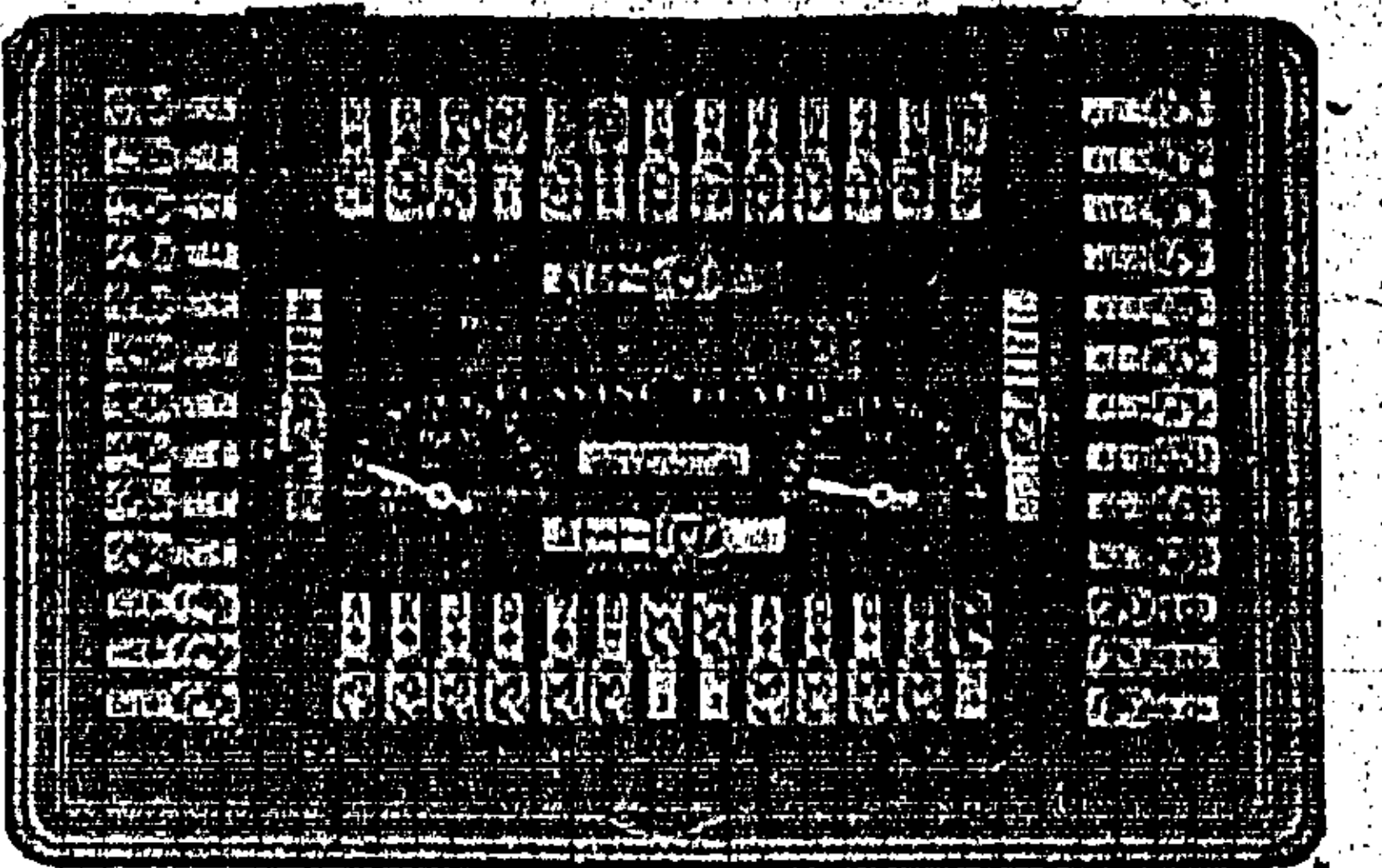
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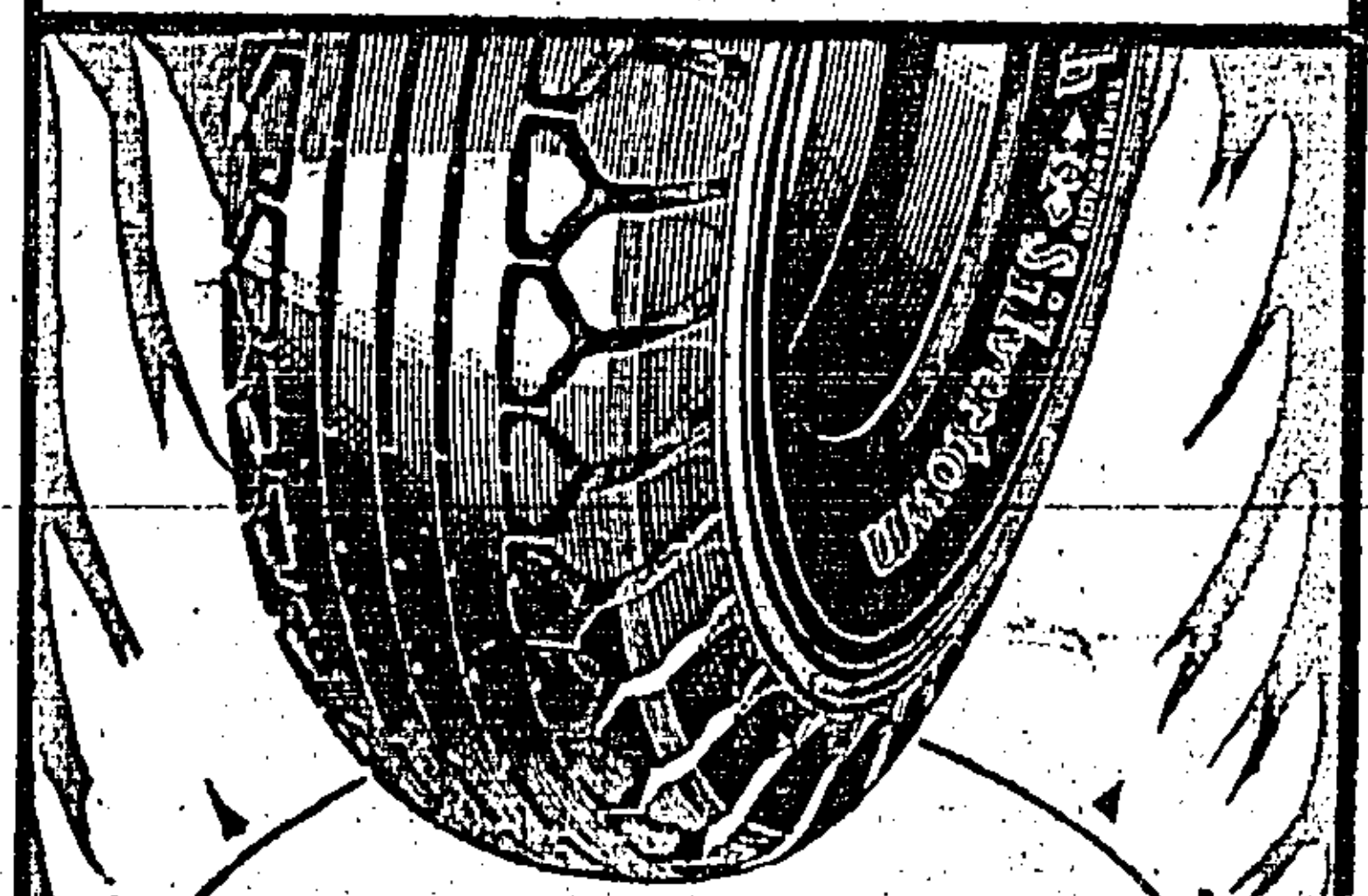
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## 'Tut! Tut! We Were Careless Again'

Germans Find More Documents

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"  
ROME, July 4, (UP).—Signor Virginio Gayda, editor of "Giornale d'Italia," to-day accuses Britain of attempting to spread the war to the Near East by dragging Russia and Turkey into the conflict.

Signor Gayda claims that the Germans found some documents in an abandoned railroad coach at La Charite, on the Loire River, which "furnish definite proof that both the British and French High Commands were in direct communication with the Turkish Foreign Minister, M. Sarajoglu."

These documents, he further states, show that M. Sarajoglu was willing to allow Allied planes to fly over Turkey last May to bomb the Russian oil wells at Baku and Baku so to cut off the oil supplies to the Axis powers.

Signor Gayda asserts that the plan was carefully drawn up and was ready to be placed into effect but Italy entered the war along with Germany, thus upsetting the Anglo-French manoeuvre and keeping the Turkish forces from moving.

## Home Defence Now Well Established

LONDON, July 4, (Reuter).—At question time in the House of Commons to-day, Mr. Winston Churchill rejected a suggestion that the Commander-in-Chief be appointed to co-ordinate the defence of Britain.

The whole organisation of home defence, he said, has been worked out by the combined staffs of the three fighting services and the Government believed that the present scheme gave the Commander-in-Chief of Home Defence the necessary control in both the military and civil spheres.

It would be the greatest mistake at this moment to remodel an organisation working to the satisfaction of the principal executives concerned. He had not heard any practical suggestion as to who the super-Commander-in-Chief should be.

## QUESTIONS THAT WANT ANSWERS?

Government And The Evacuation

The "Telegraph" asked the Colonial Secretary a series of questions this morning. They were as follow:

1.—When will evacuation of the Portuguese section of the community begin?

2.—When, if at all, will alien women and children be required to leave?

3.—Does Government intend to protect tenants who have leases and who must now give up their homes? Are landlords entitled to demand a month's rent in lieu of notice from evacuees?

4.—What is the position of stenographers in Government who have been ordered to evacuate and who have been paid off by the Government? Does not Government intend to continue their salary while they are away and will they be assured that their old positions will be available when they are permitted to return to the Colony?

5.—In view of the high cost of living in Manila, is it the intention of Government to evacuate the women and children to Australia as soon as possible?

6.—Is it the intention of Government to forbid the evacuees to return for the duration of the war?

7.—If the H.K.V.D.C. is mobilised will volunteers be expected to support their evacuee wives and children on their army pay? Does Government intend to enact legislation to ensure that volunteers will be re-employed in their old civil positions when they are demobilised?

### Government's Reply

To these questions the Hon. Mr. R. A. C. North replied:  
"I regret to inform you that I am not in a position at present to reply to these questions."  
"I am obliged however for your letter which sets out clearly some of the many problems which will have to be considered."

## Duke Of Windsor: New Rumour

NEW YORK, July 4 (UP).—Pan American Airways, in response to inquiries as to whether or not the Duke and Duchess of Windsor are arriving from Spain to-morrow on the Dixie Clipper, said the passenger list did not show their names.  
An official admitted that the Duke and Duchess might be travelling incognito.

## INTERNMENT OF ALIENS

LONDON, July 4 (Reuter).—Sir John Anderson, the Home Secretary, in the House of Commons to-day, made a written reply to a series of questions on the subject of aliens.  
Sir John said that in view of the exigencies of the military situation, certain further categories of Germans and Austrians are being interned but it would not be in the public interest to give details of the scheme at this stage.

## STOCK MARKET REPORT

Hongkong Stock Exchange Official Summary issued yesterday says:  
The market was a little more active to-day. Business was reported in Watsons at \$7.40, Old China Lights at \$5.00 and \$5.80, Cements at \$13.10, Dairy Farms at \$17 and H.K. Govt. 4% Loan at \$102.

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H.K. Lands \$20.50  
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Watsons \$7.35  
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Electrics (Old) \$37  
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## LATE NEWS

## PRESS SUPPORTS GOVERNMENT

LONDON, July 5 (Reuter).—"Horrible but necessary" is the verdict passed on the tragic episode of the French Navy by the British Press, which uncompromisingly supports the Government's action.  
The "Times" says: "A most painful story. It could only be made tolerable by maintaining a clear distinction between the Government of Clermont-Ferrand and fighting men who have felt it their duty to obey its orders. Sympathising as we do with the soldiers and sailors of France in their tragic dilemma, justice to them forbids any compunction in describing the action of Marshal Petain and his colleagues."  
The "Daily Telegraph" expresses "stern approval."  
The "Daily Mail" says "there will be no gloating. The whole episode is tinged black with the crime of the lickspittle Bordeaux Government."

## French Warships In Scotland

LONDON, July 5 (Reuter).—It is understood that more French warships are anchored in Scottish waters.

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